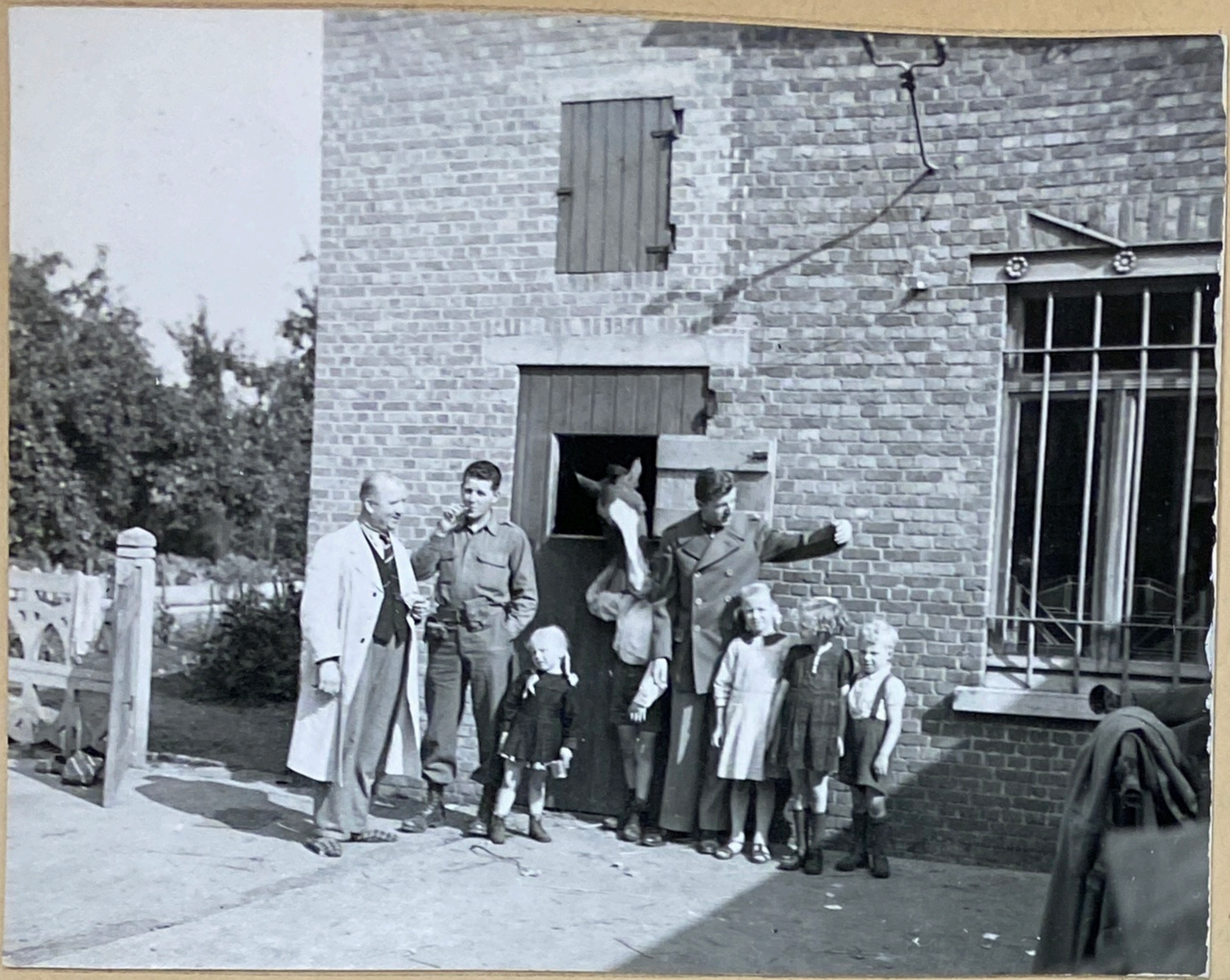
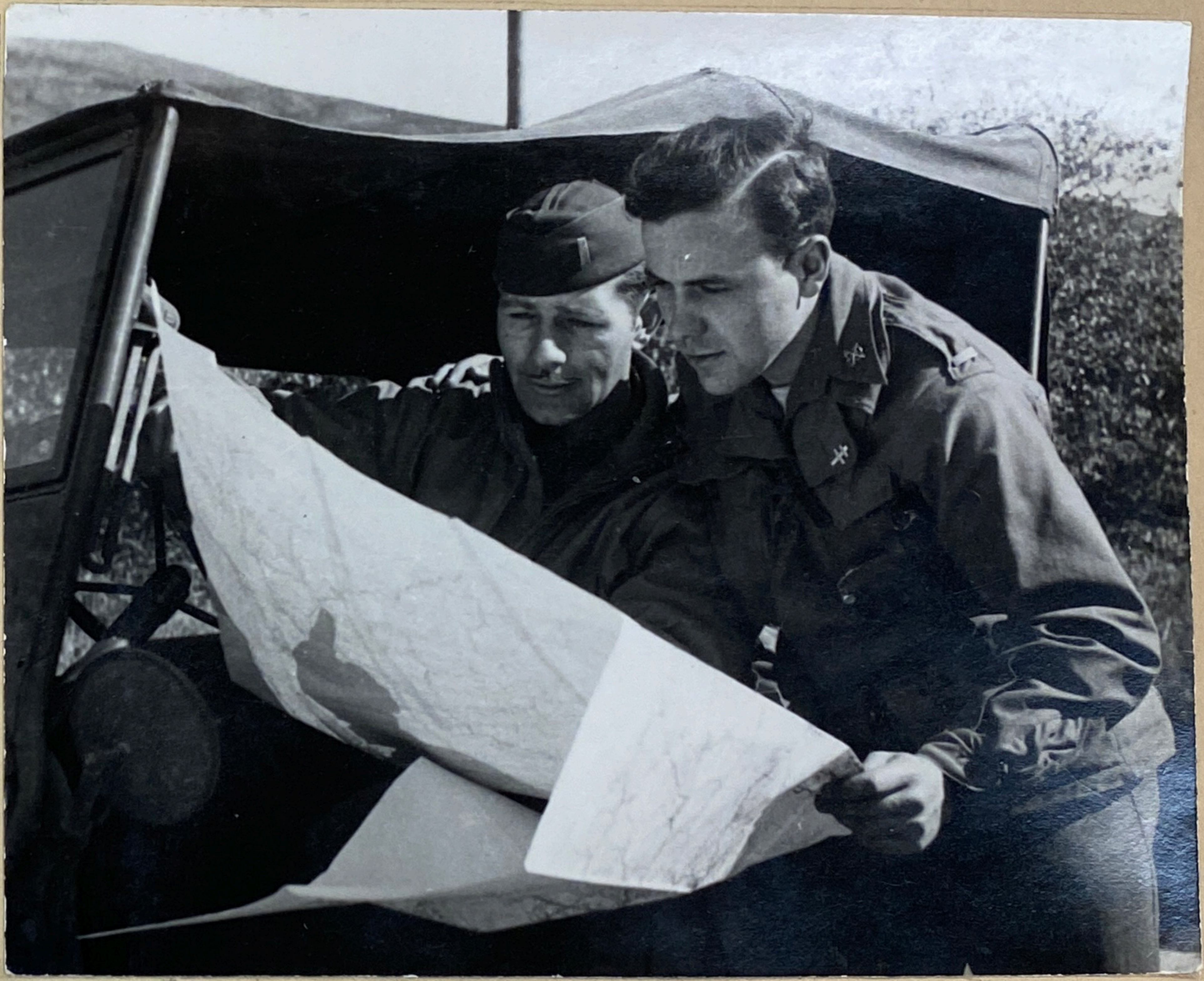
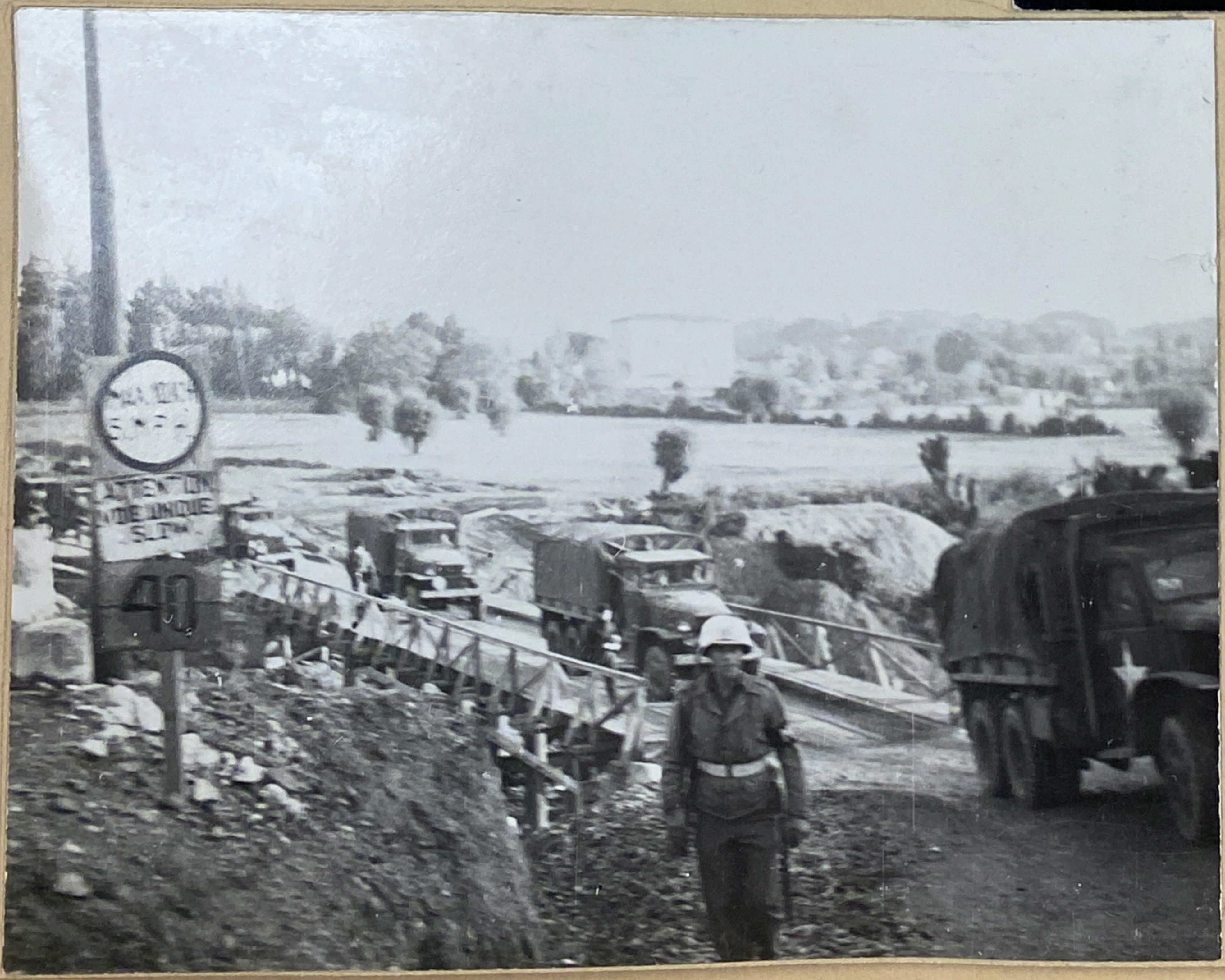
5-6 Boris Pash PHOTOGRAPHS Alsos Mission



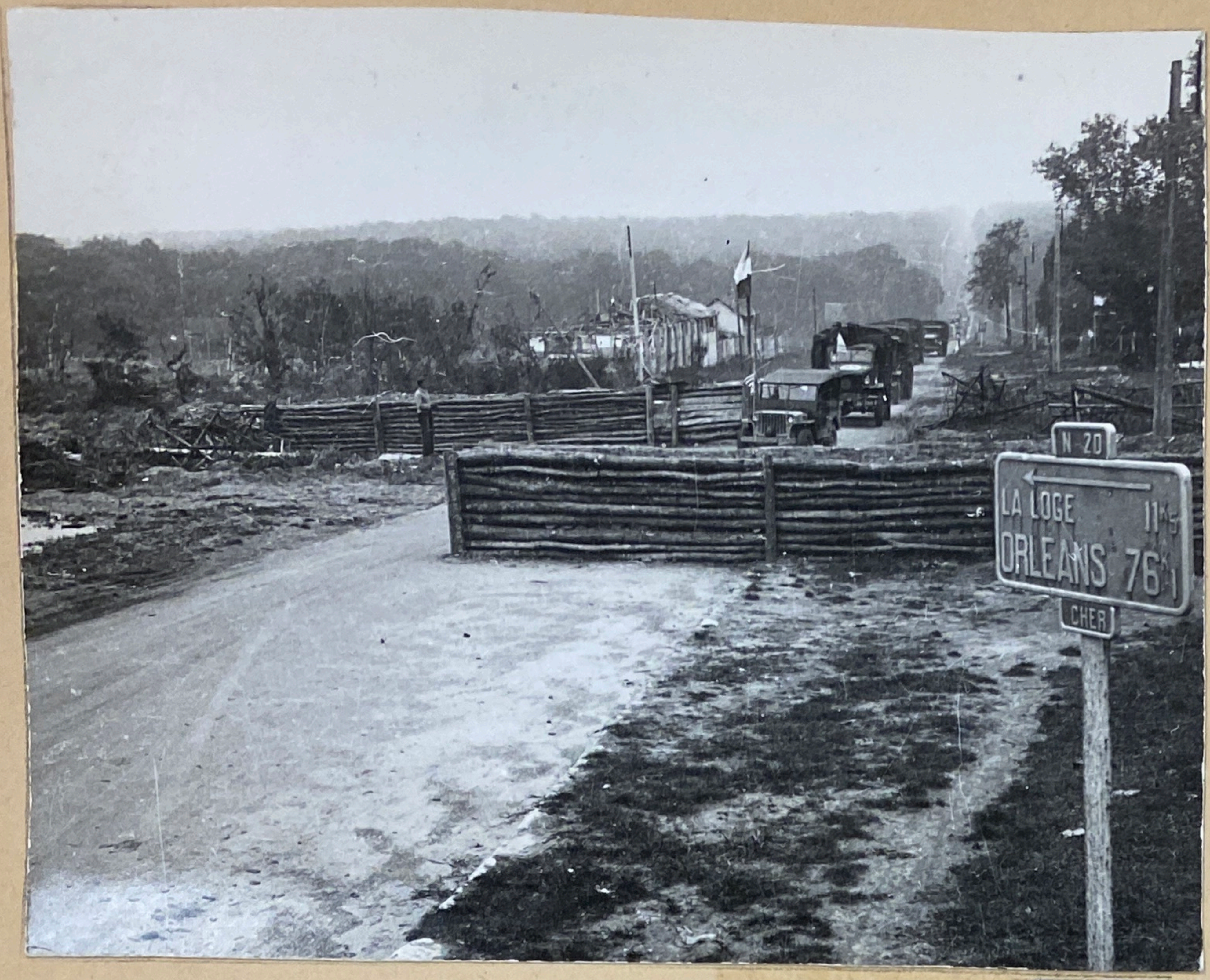
Left:
Posing with Papa and the horse and several of the smaller children are Special Agent Beatson and Major Furman.

Right:
On the South France operation the Convoy Commander and his assistant check the route. Lt Larry Brown on the left and Lt Jack Edell. The column was the first American force to go through South France. (26 September 1944)





Left:
This bridge built by our engineers marked the end of the American Zone and the beginning of no-man's land. Athis point Sgt Dolida was sent back to the rear as a courier. In questioning the French natives to find the column again......



Left:

....he was told that yes, a huge column had passed there led by a General and two tanks! Thereafter Colonel Pash was referred to as "General" and the trucks became "Tanks". The above picture show the convoy passing through an FFI barricade.

Right:

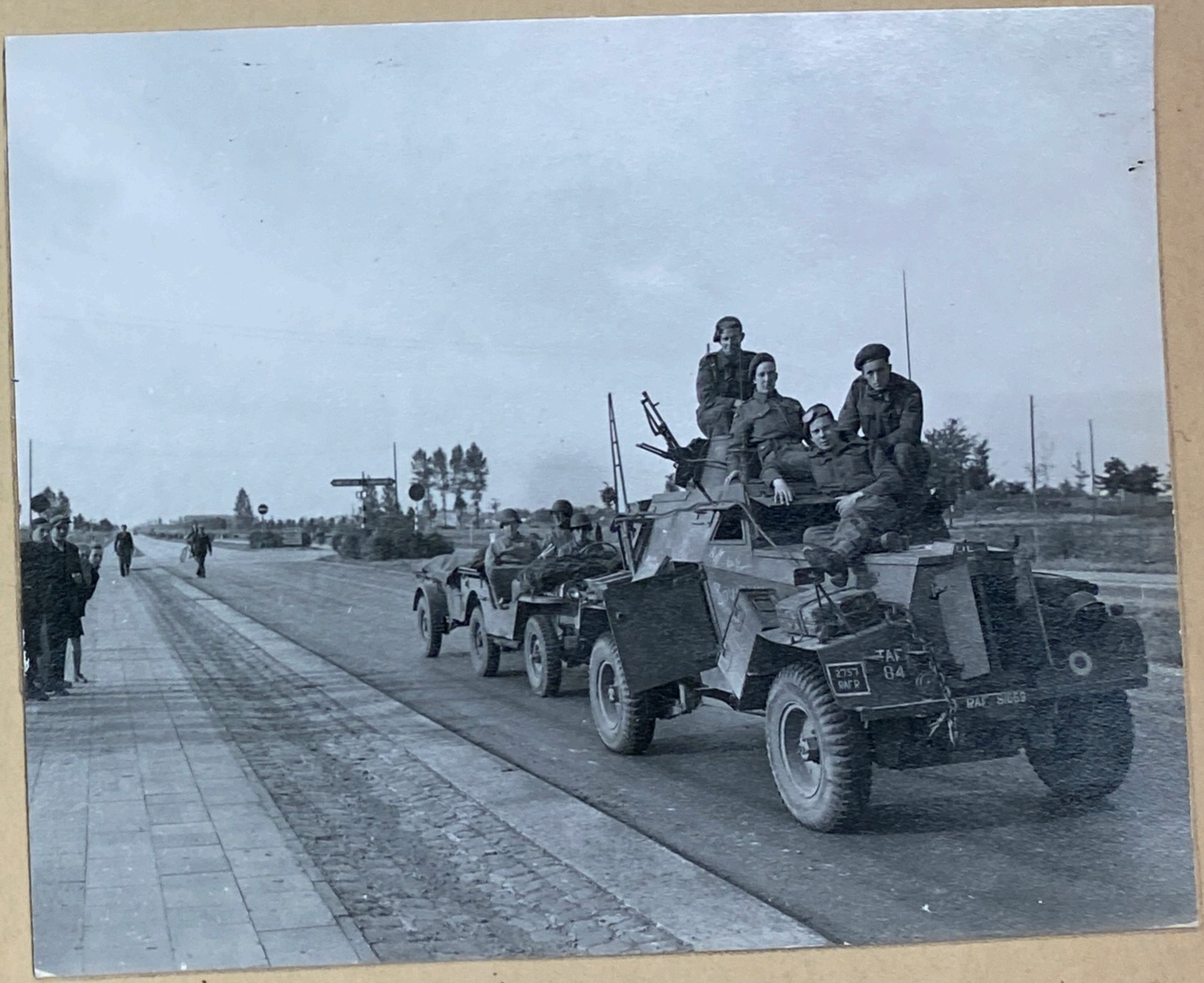
The column stops for chow along a road in Southern France.

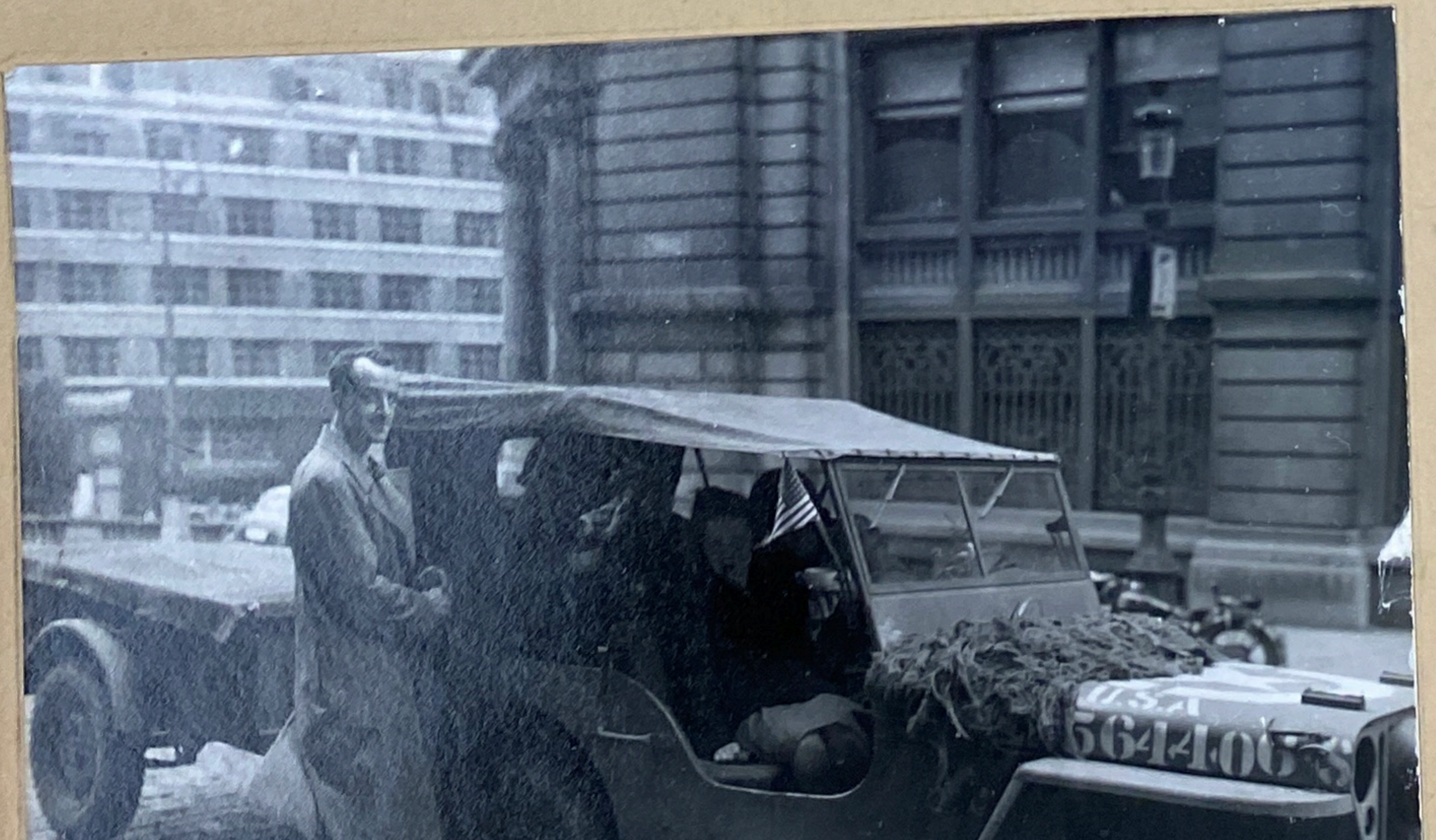
Left:

A chow-time close-up on the South France operation.

Left:
At the beginning of the Belgium operation a British "Recce" car lead the convoy.

Right:
En route to Antwerp the convoy stopped to have a picture taken. The unit entered Antwerp on 5 September 1944.





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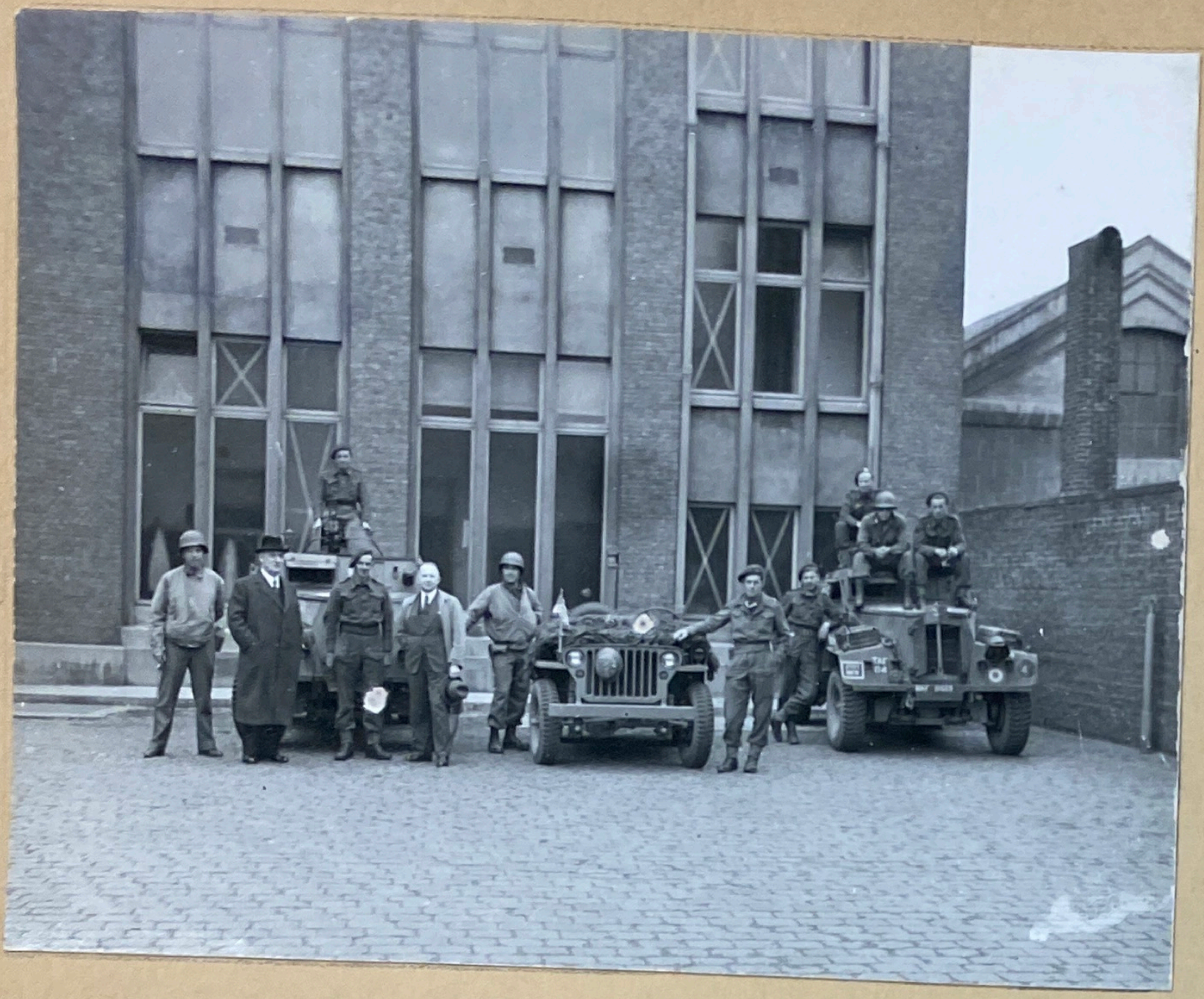
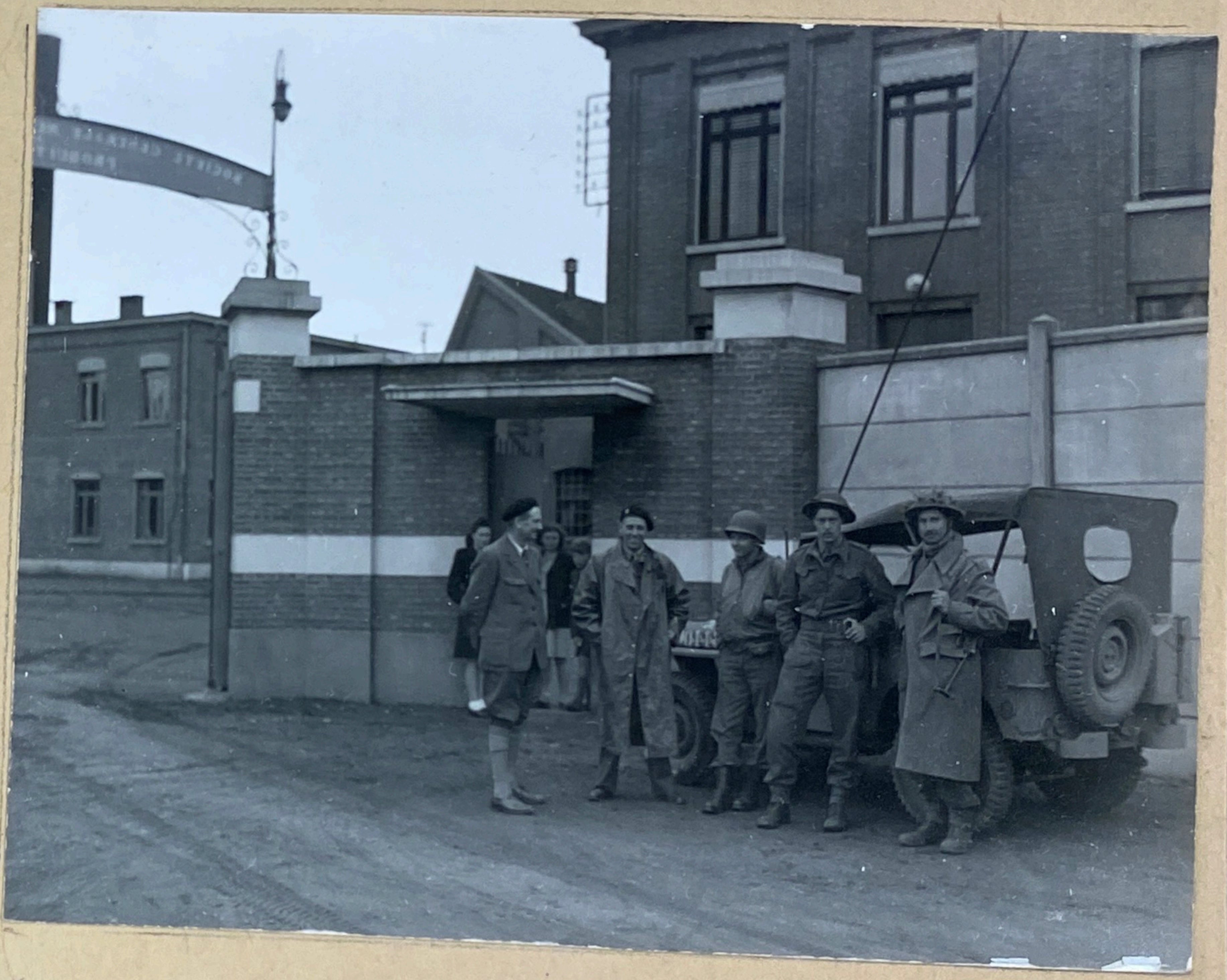
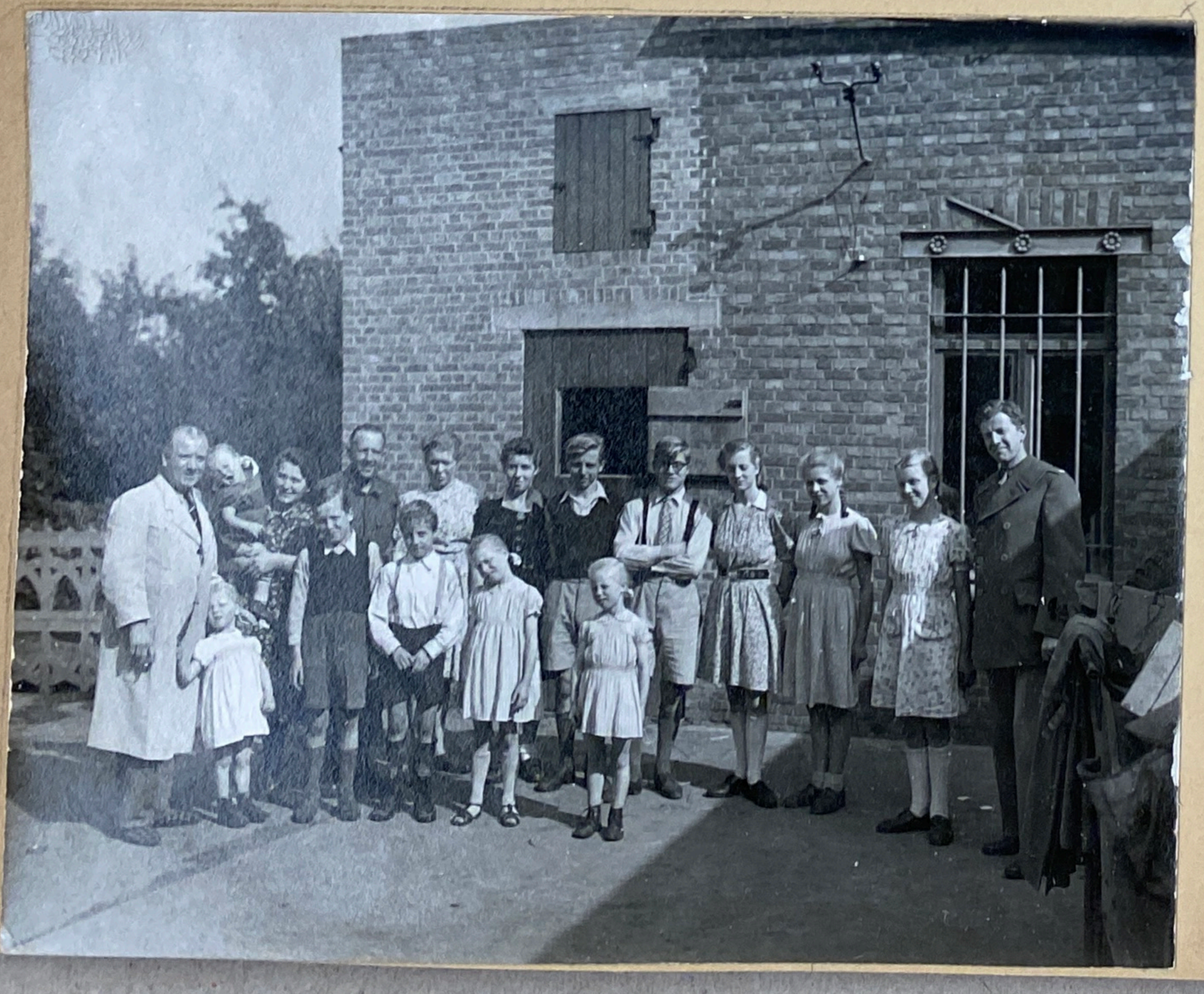
The Belgium party make use of natives as guides to locate a target in Antwerp.



Left:
At the target in Antwerp. The three Alsos members can be identified by the M-1 Helmets. Left to right: Captain Augustine, Lt Carl Fiebig, and Special Agent Jerry Beatson.

Right:
At the target near the Albert canal. The canal and some two hundred yards seperated the building from the German lines.





Left:
After completing the mission in Belgium the party stopped en route to base for chow at this Belgian home in Oolen. In the picture with Mamma and Papa and the thirteen children are Colonel Pash and Major Furman.

The South France convoy moves through German infested territory.

Roads signs obliterated by FFI to hinder Germans. We suffered too.

The convoy moves through the mountains of central France.

Final bivouac before approaching target.

Final run to target.

Over the moat to the target; a government arsenal.

Mission accomplished. Loaded trucks are pulling out.

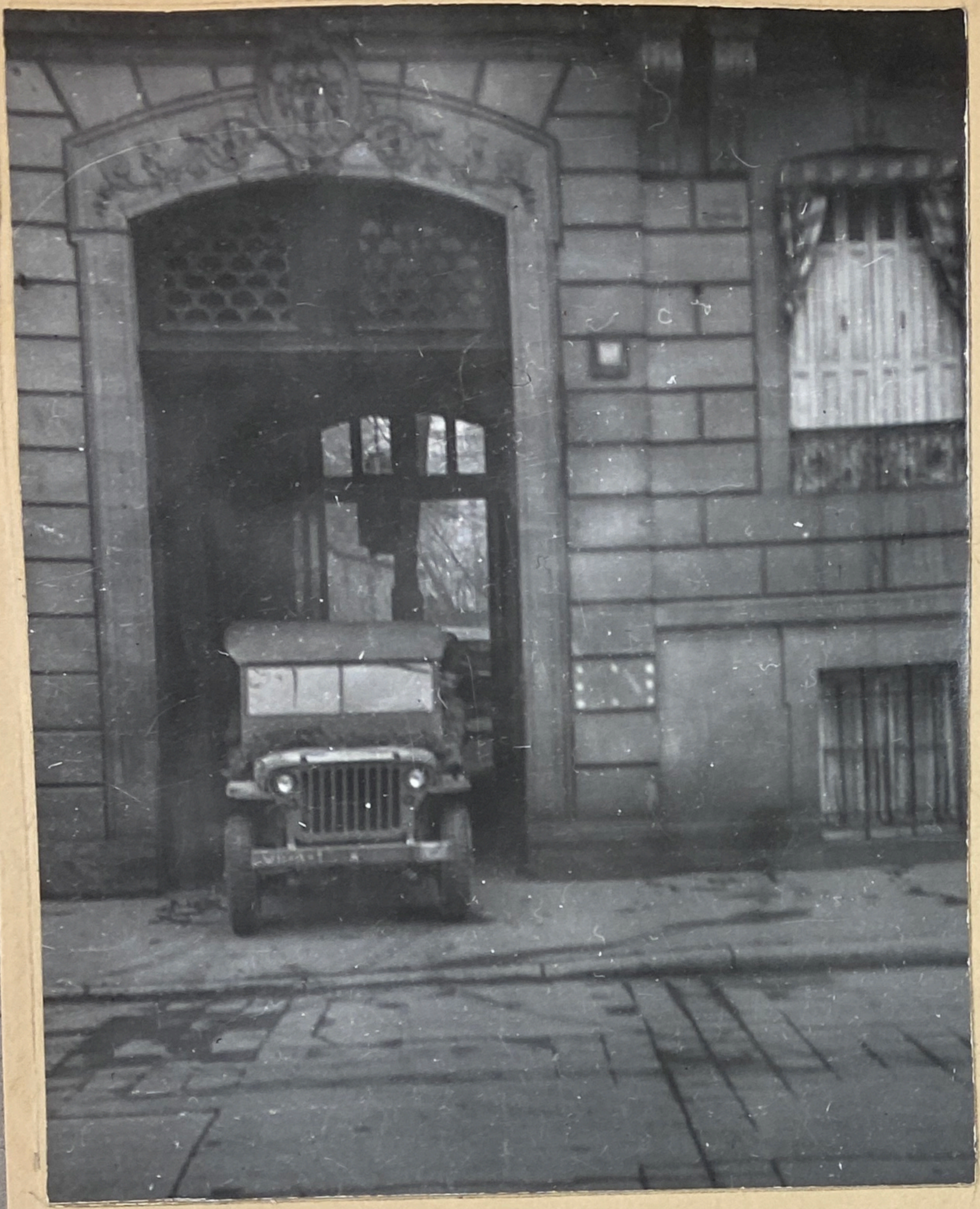
Run along the Mediterranian to the P. O. E.

Trucks pulled up and guards posted. This is the end of the road in Marseille.

Left:
At the target Lt Fiebig, Operations Officer confers with Commander Colonel Pash.

Right:
With guards posted completely around the area Colonel Pash briefs the officers as to ways and means of loading and removing the wanted material in a matter of hours.

Left:
Final objective; the warehouse in Marseille where the material was stored for shipment to the U.S.



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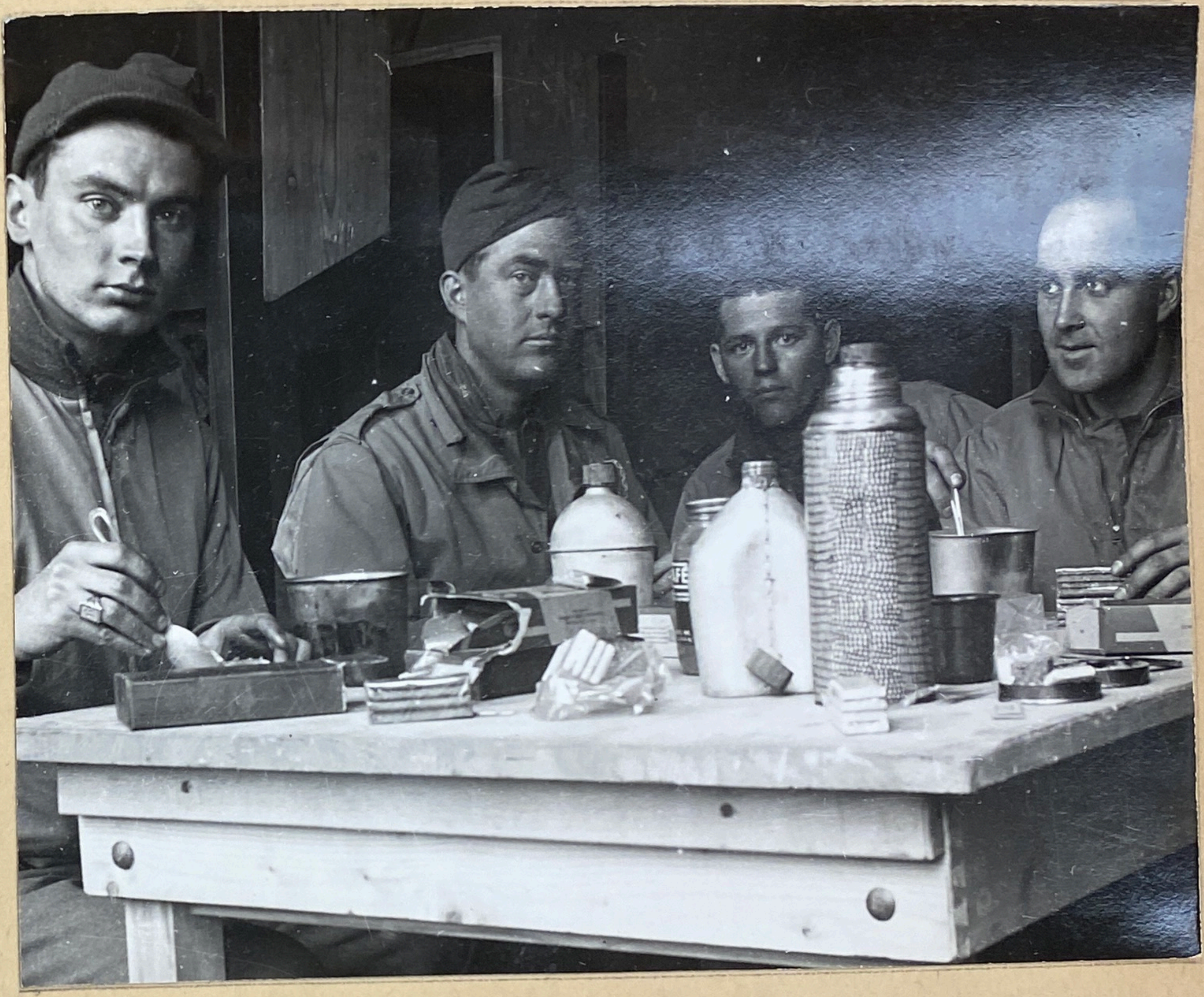
Alsos Headquarters in Strassburg. The Alsos group entered Strassburg on 25 November 1944 directly behind the infantry and established this base for operations.



Below:
Chow: G.I. with some local supplementing.

MENU #1
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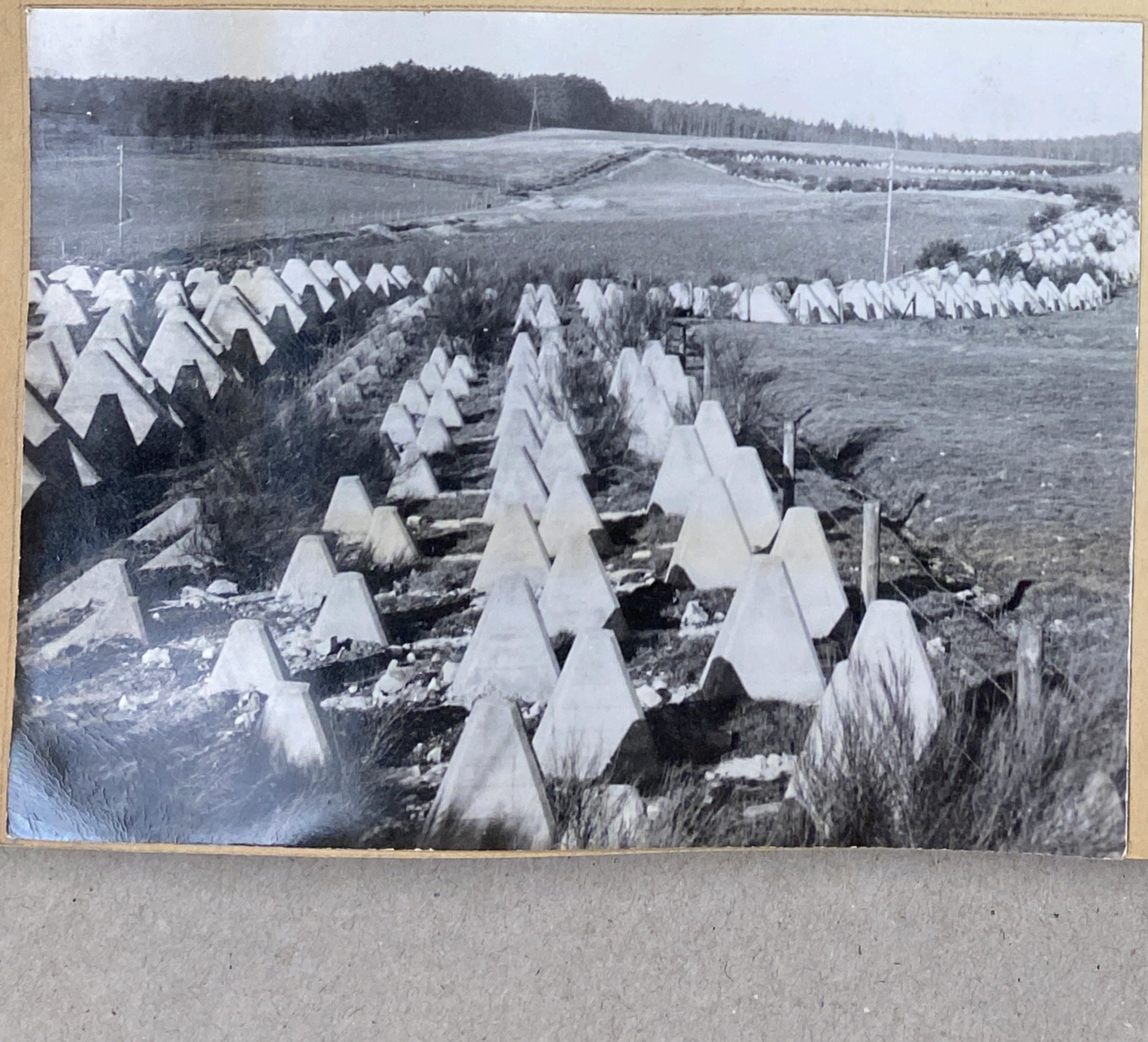
Above:
Members of the party on Alsos' first operation in Strassburg; Captain Robt Blake, Special Agents Leonard and Beatson and Lt Carl Fiebig. Colonel Pash took the picture. Arriving at Strassburg at eleven o'clock, the party had chow before proceeding to the target.

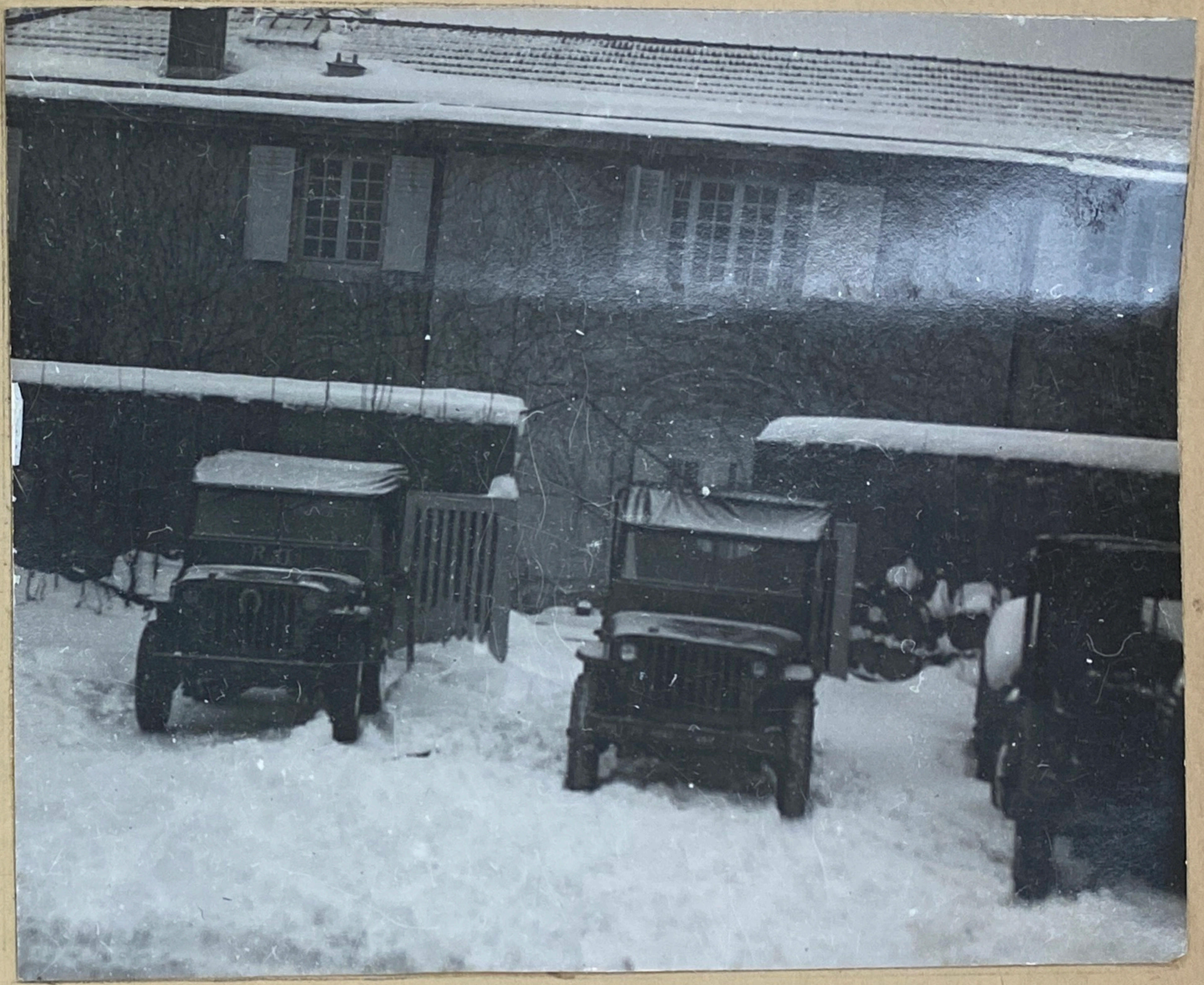
Left:
Checking the German 7.92 mm machine gun before pushing off for the target. The mission used two such captured guns to good advantage.

Right:
T-force headquarters in Strassburg.

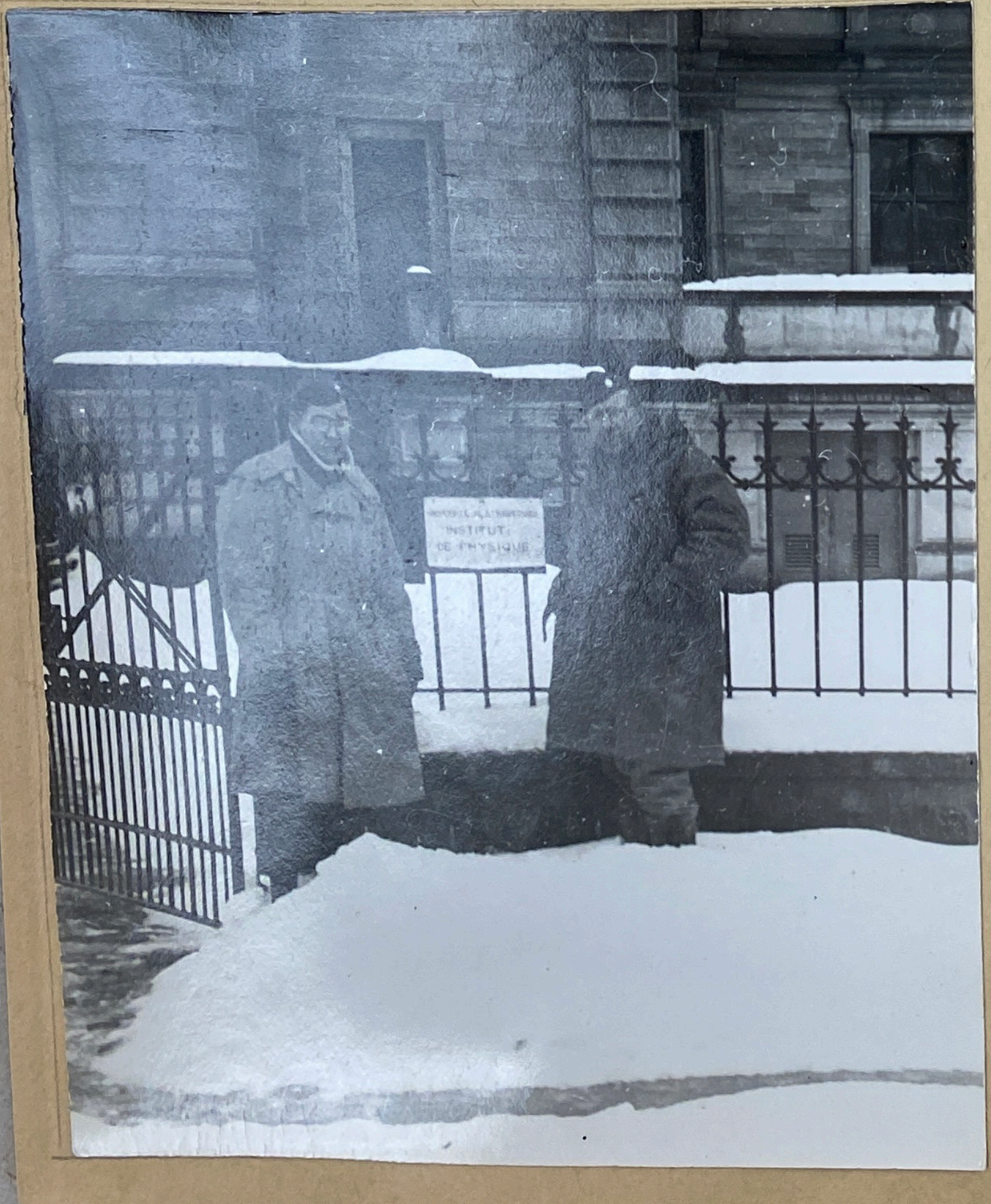


Left:
The famed dragon's teeth of the Ziegfried line.

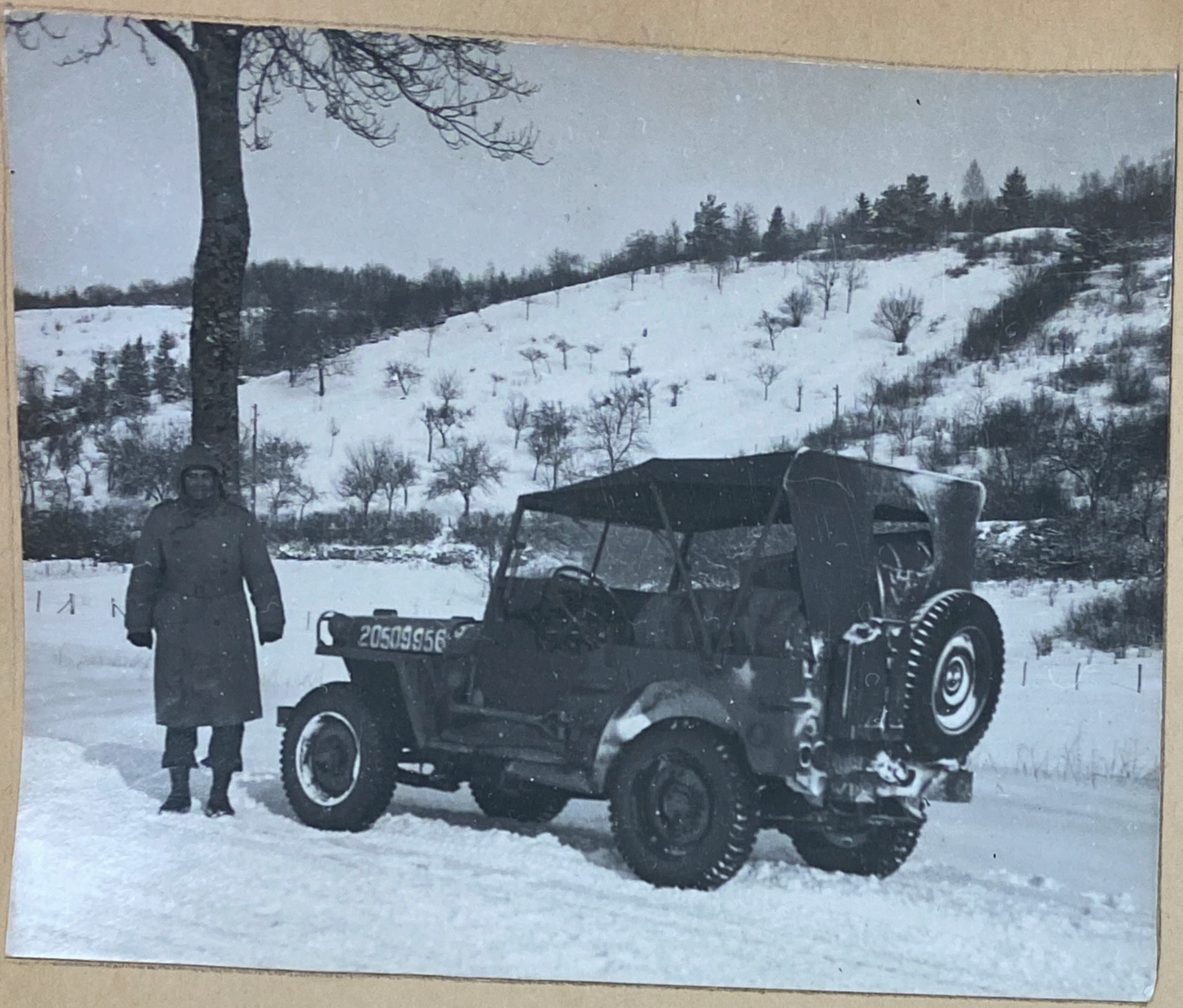
Left:
Special mission to Strassburg during the German breakthrough to evacuate personnel and documents.



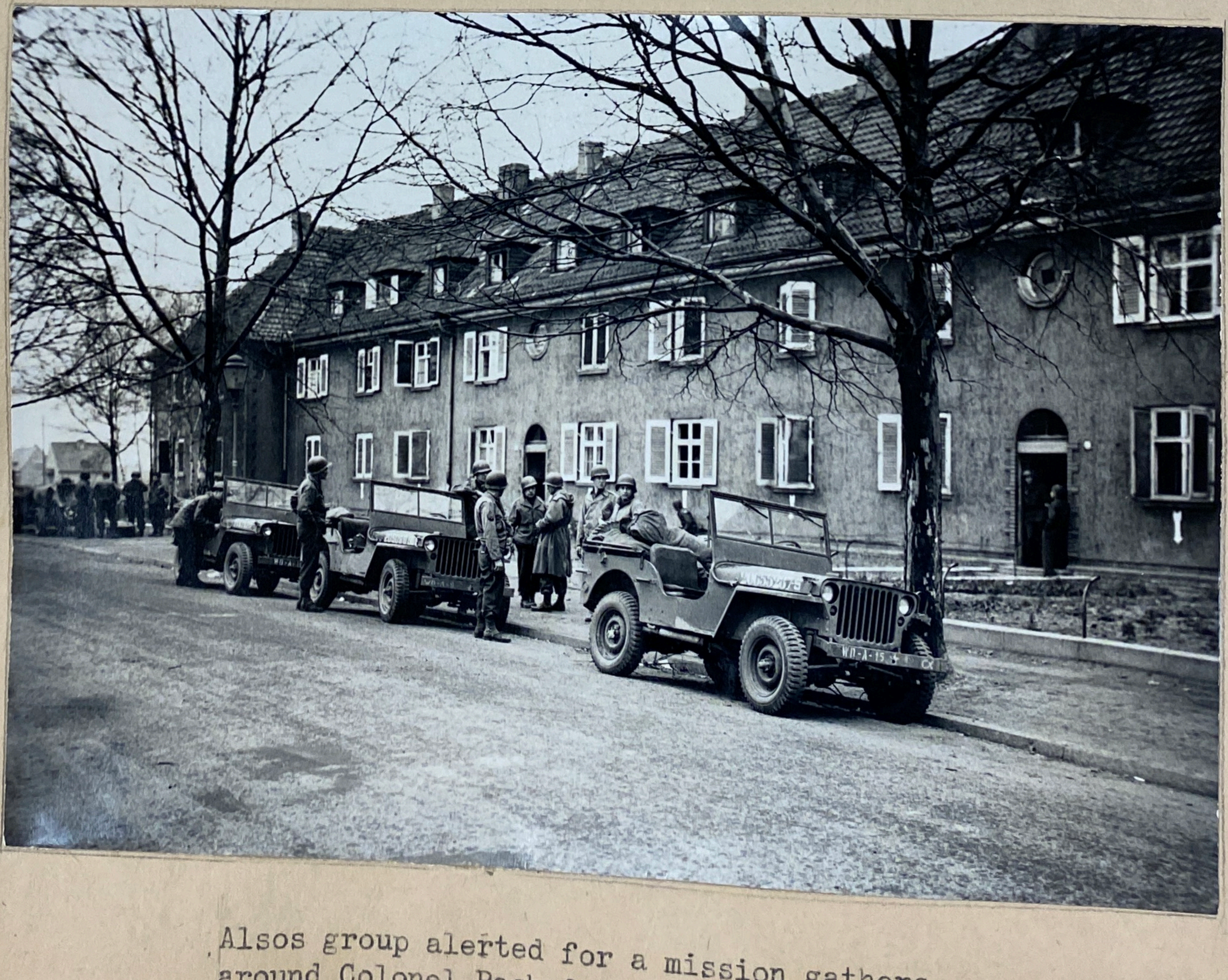
Above:
T-force Headquarters in Lunaville during the bulge when our position was threatened in Strassburg.



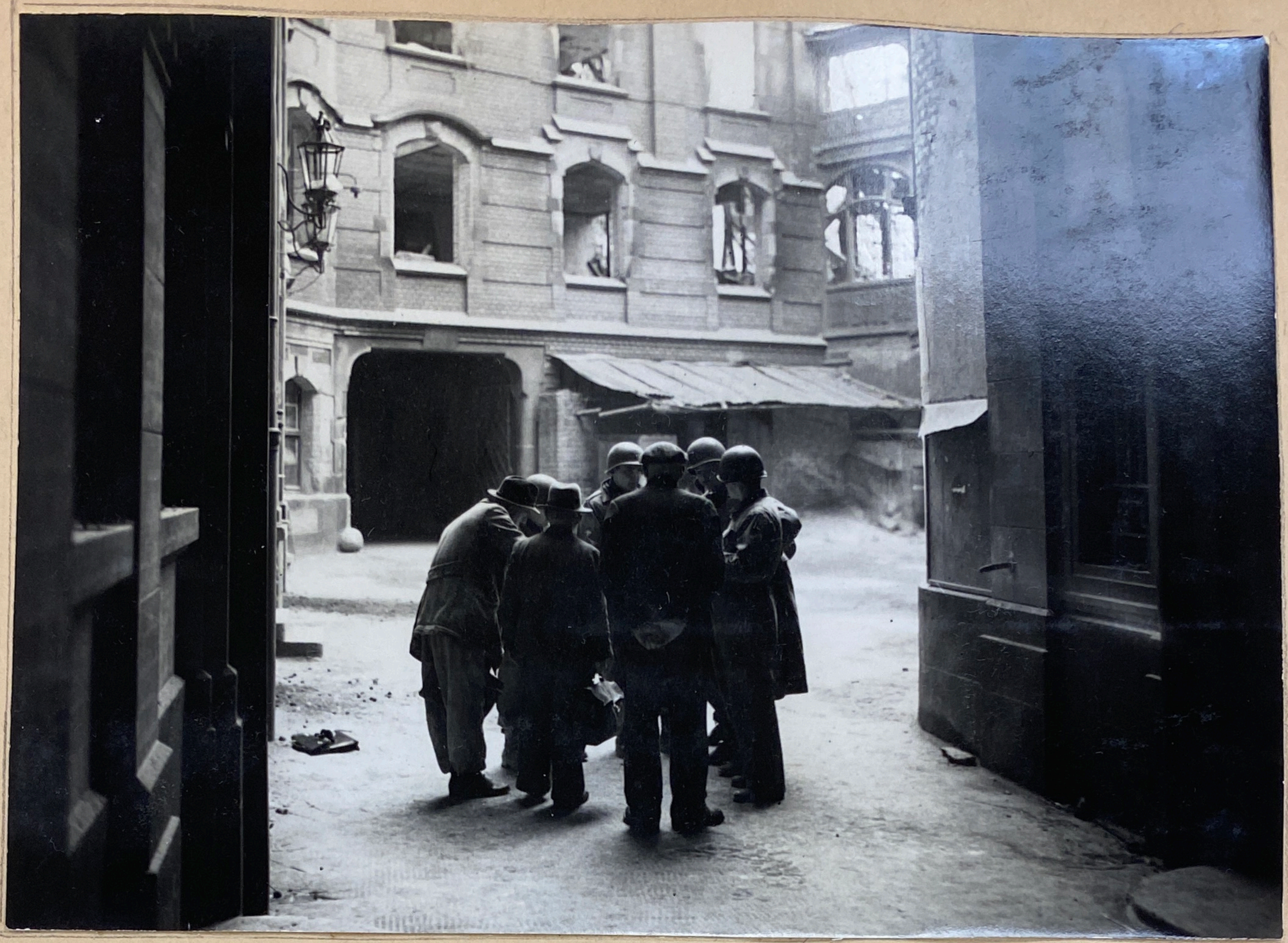
Left:
Cleaning up at a target on the evacuation mission to Strassburg. Colonel Lansdale and Colonel Pash at the gate of the Institute of Physics. Strassburg was under mortar and artillery fire at this time.



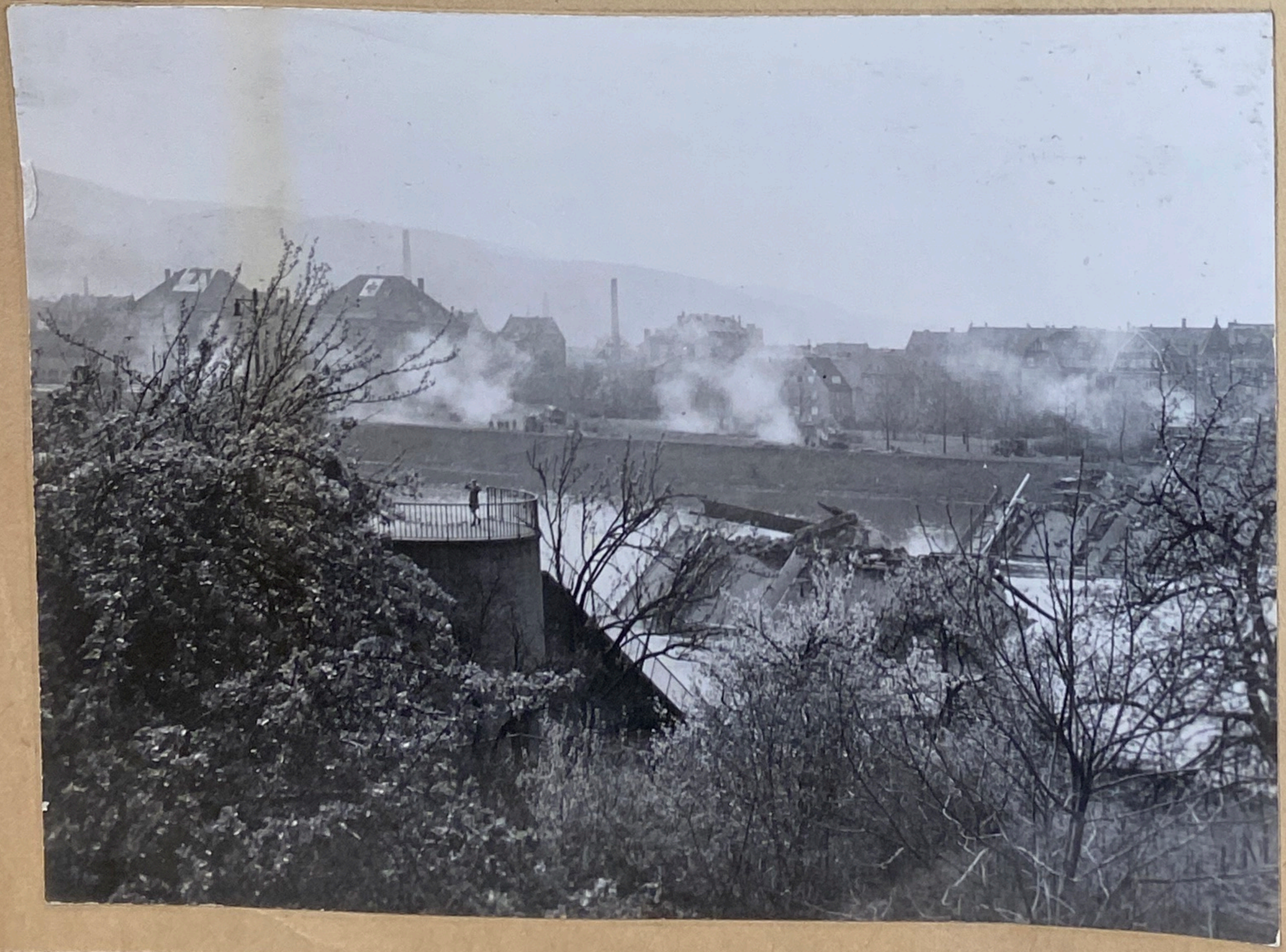
Left:
With his face distorted by the cold, Lt Fiebig poses by his jeep on the return trip from Strassburg.



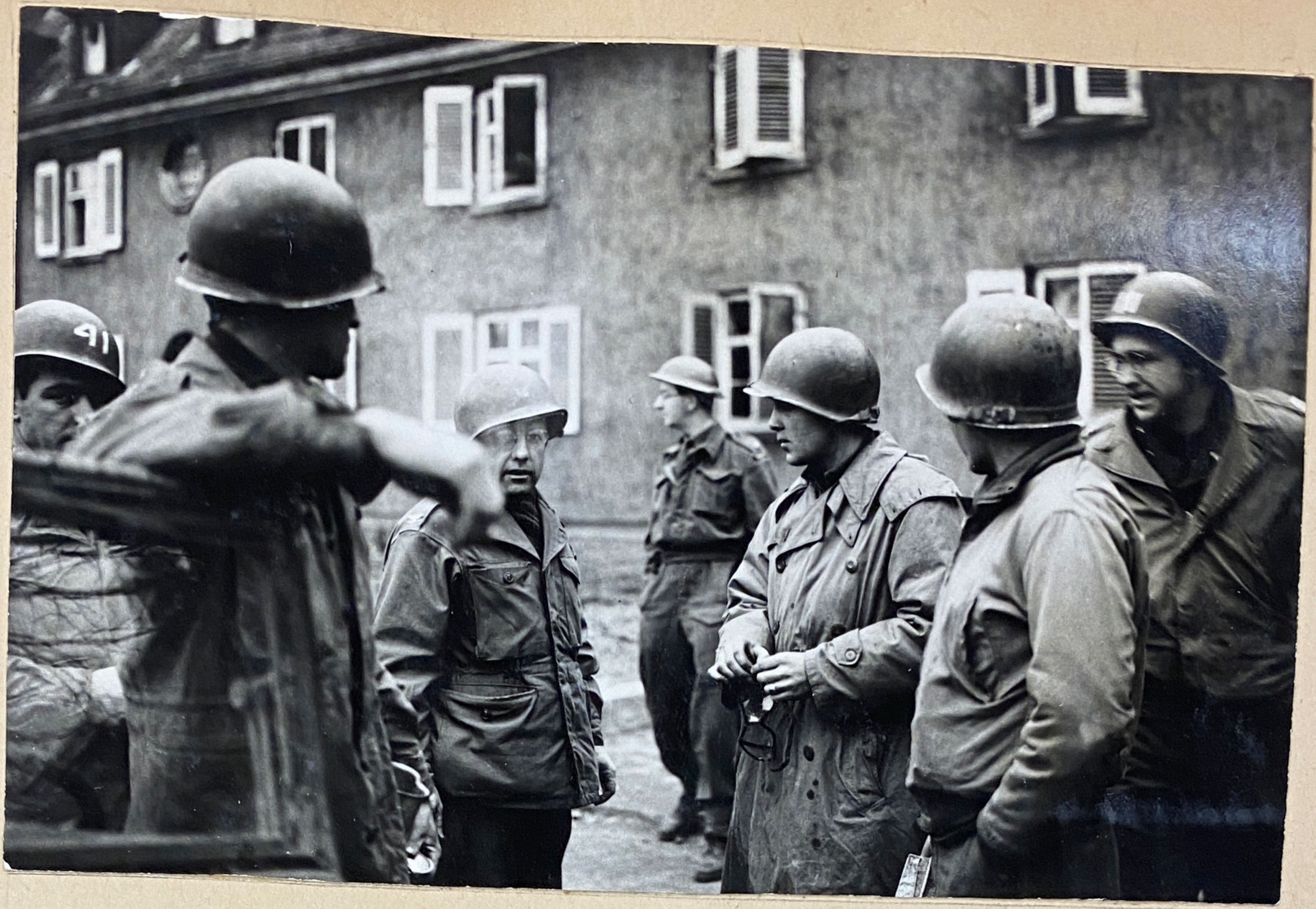
Alsos group alerted for a mission gathers around Colonel Pash for briefing at T-force Headquarters, Frankenthal on Ludwigshaven operation.



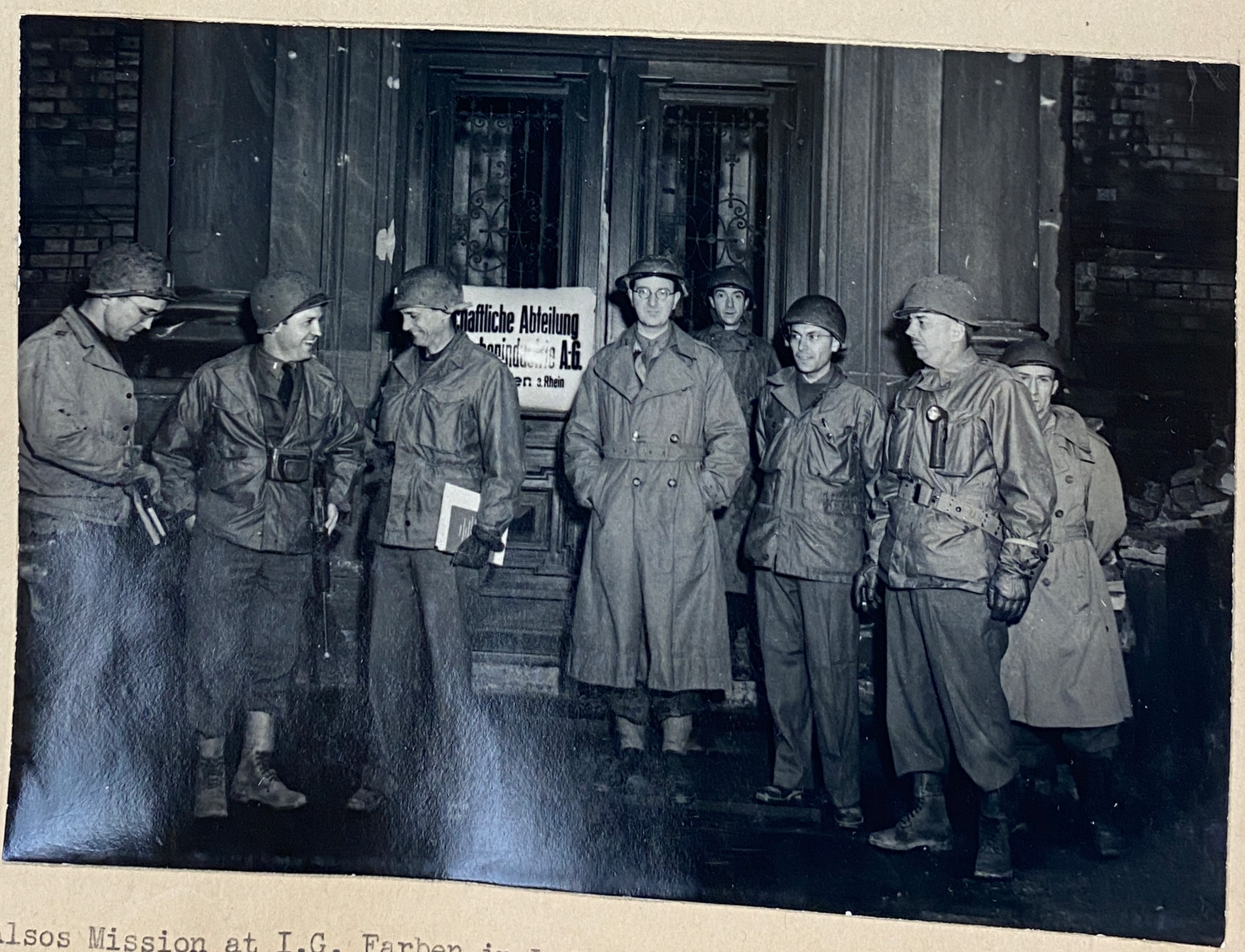
In the courtyard of a target, Doctor Fieser and Captain Blake interrogate personnel.



Left:
This picture of tanks firing a barrage
on the far side of Neckar river was
taken as the Alsos party waited to ma
the crossing. The house that became
Alsos Heidelberg Main was still being
used as an O.P. when the group moved



At the briefing Colonel Pash answers a question of Cpl Brown's(leaning on jeep) as Lt Fiebig is about to ply him with another. Captain Wm J. Cromartie is evidently interjecting something while British Major Adams in the background just looks.

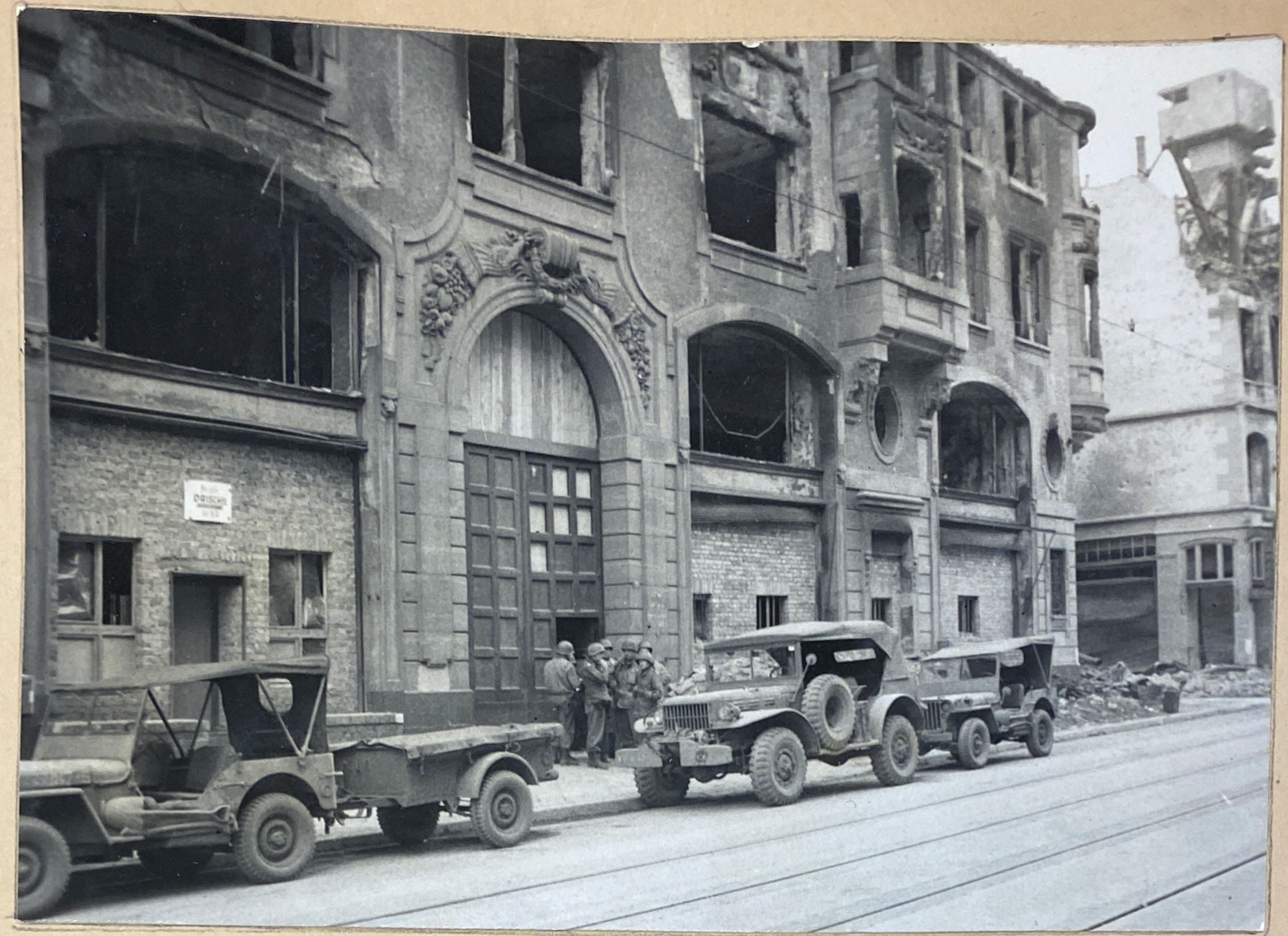


Alsos Mission at I.G. Farben in Ludwigshaven. Left to right: Captain Wm. J. Cromartie, Lt J.W. Hofer, U.S.N., Captain Henze, Major Adams,Br., Doctor Baumann, Doctor Fieser and two CIC Agents.

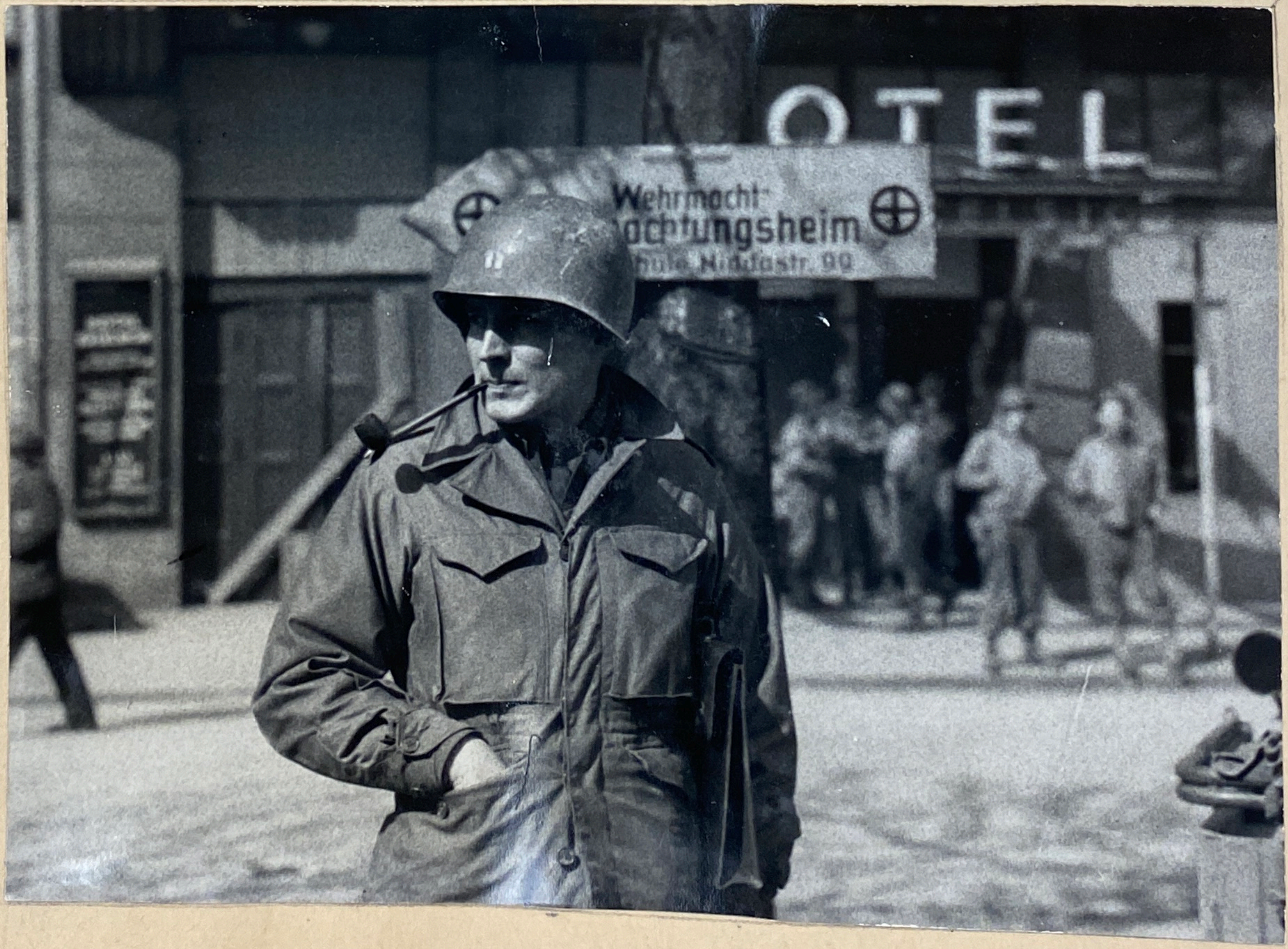
Left:
View from the porch of Alsos Heidelberg Main. The bridge barely visible on the right is the same in the picture with the tanks.

Right:
Alsos Heidelberg Main. The stacks in distance are of the once great industrial center of Mannheim.

Left:
Colonel Pash at the gate to the home of top-notch Nazi, Minister Speer.



Alsos group takes over a target in Frankfort. With guards posted to prevent personnel from leaving, interrogation is begun immediately.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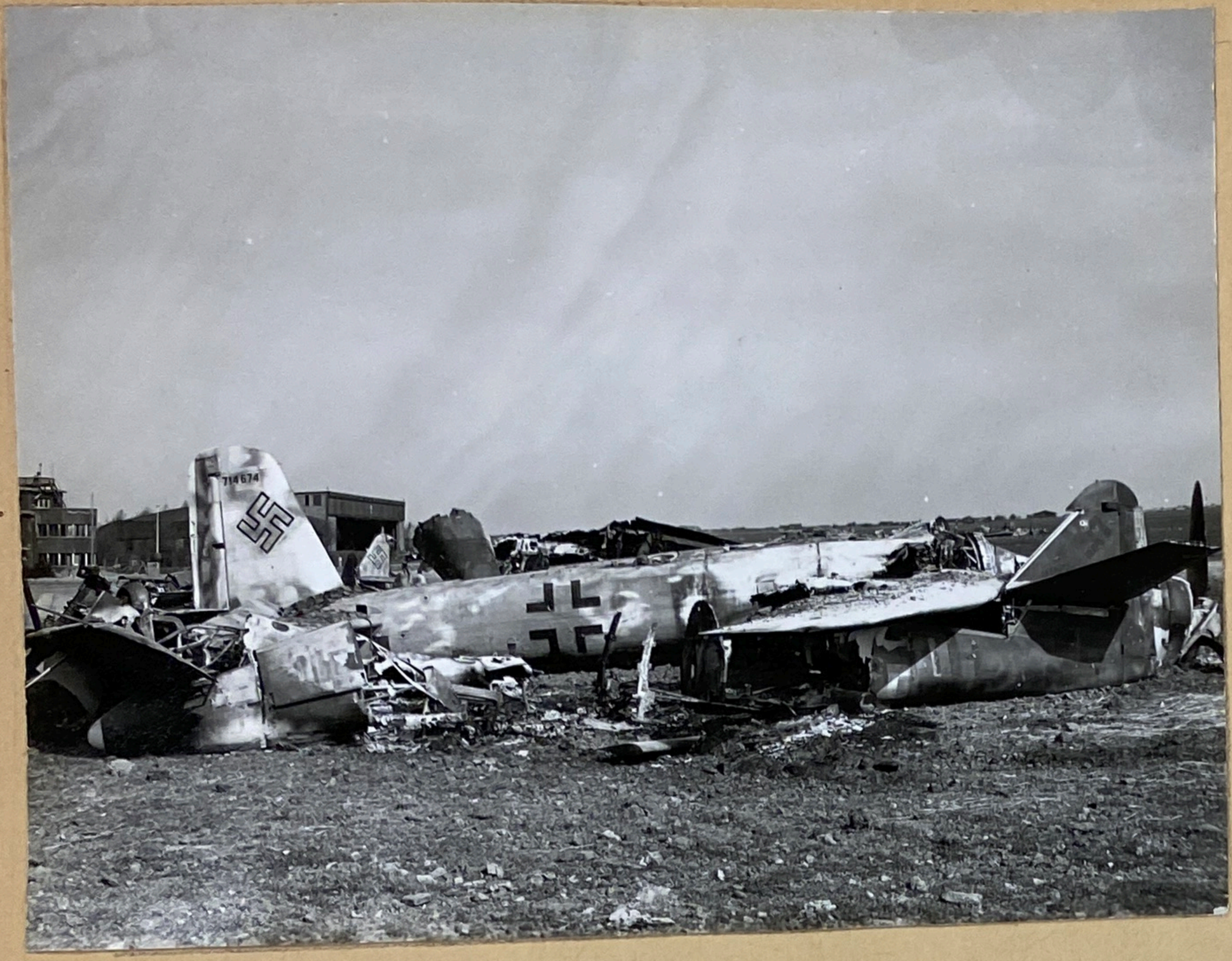
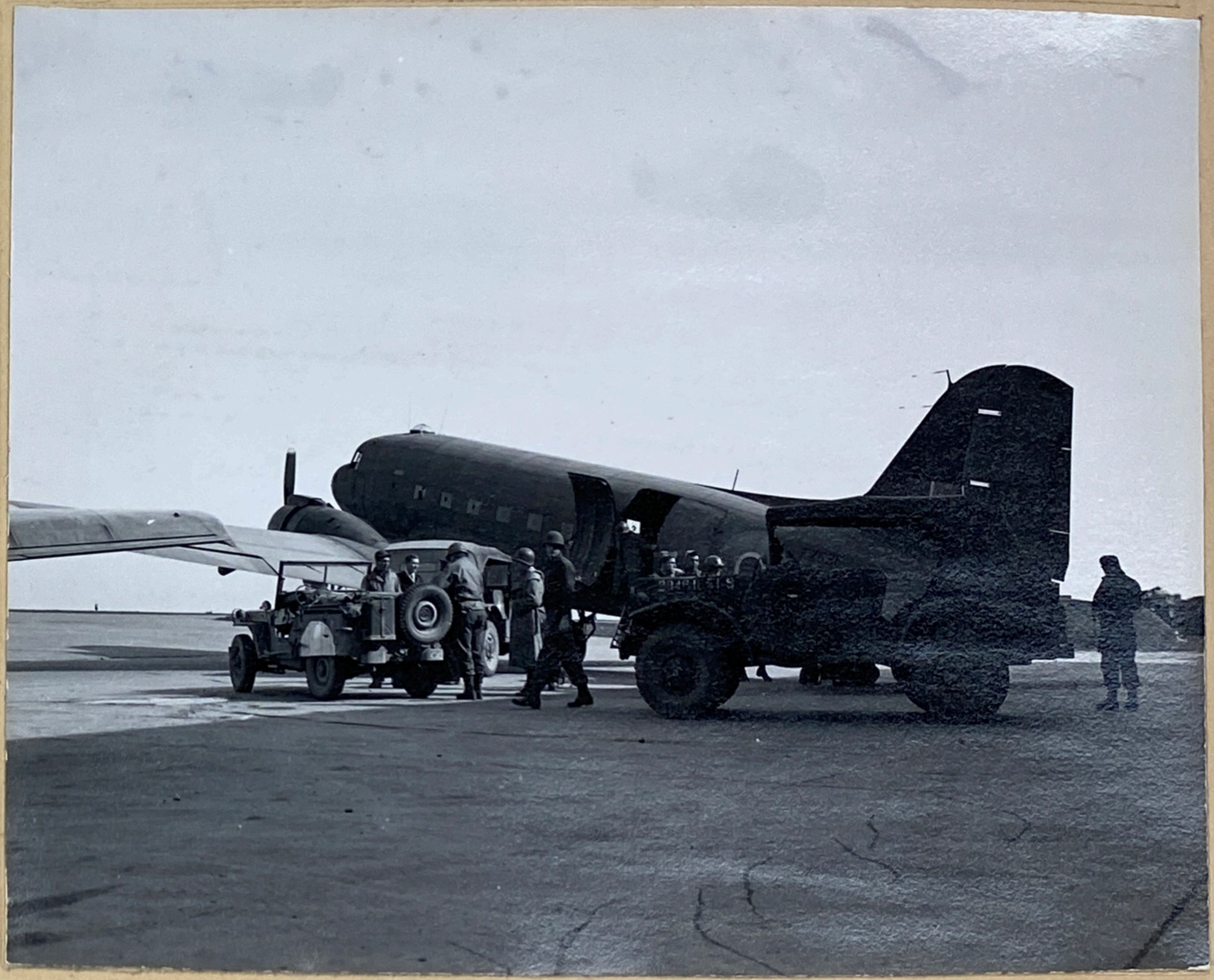
Captain R. W. Blake at Hotel Excelsior, T-force headquarters, Frankfort.



Left:
When the jeep party from Stadtilm arrived at Erfurt airstrip to keep the rendezvous with the British C-47, it was discovered that the enemy had been in possession of the field within the previous 24 hrs. Shown are wrecked enemy aircraft.

Right:
Documents and other material found in Kaiser Wilhelm Lab at Stadtilm are here being loaded on the British plane to be flown back to rear base.



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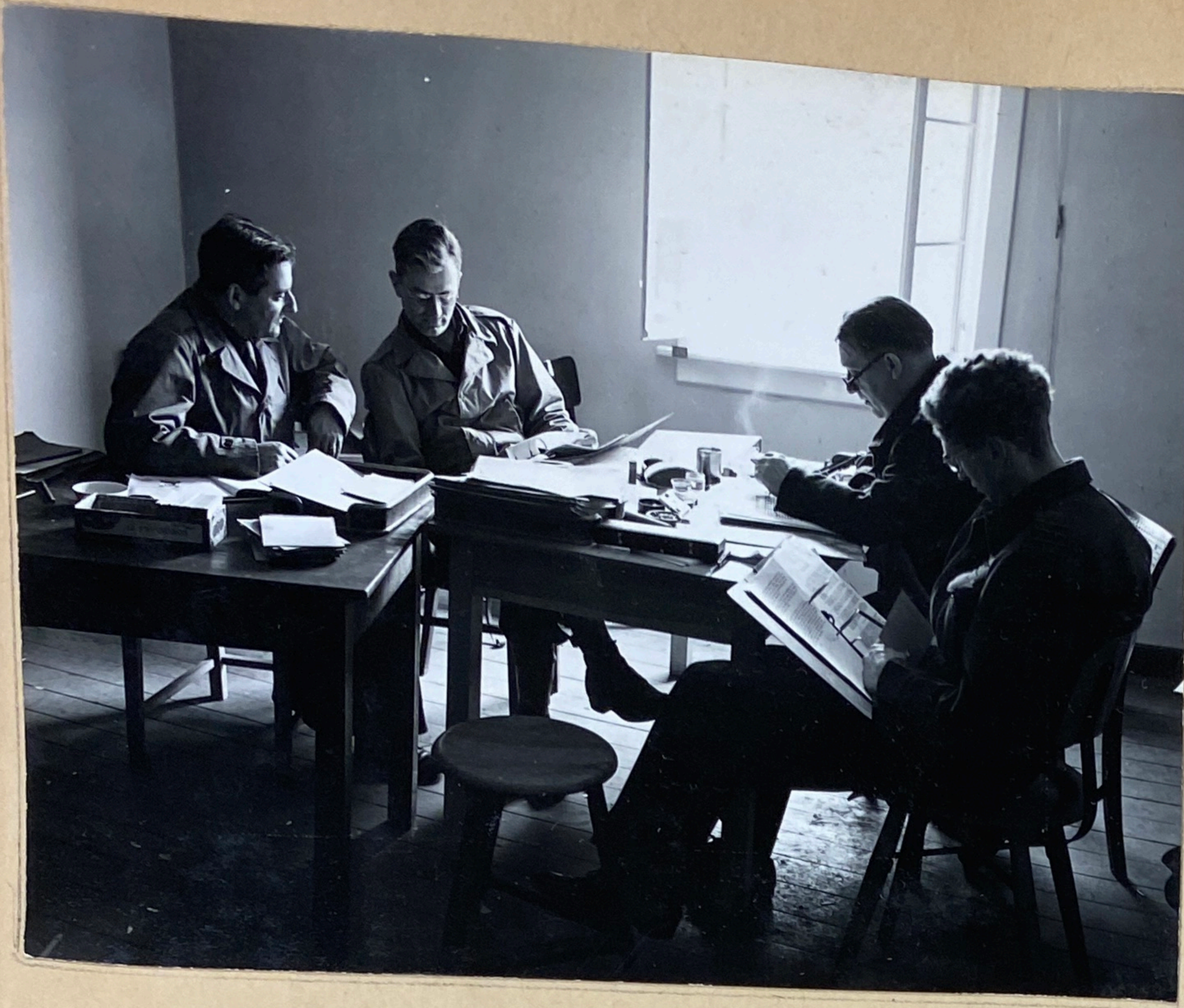
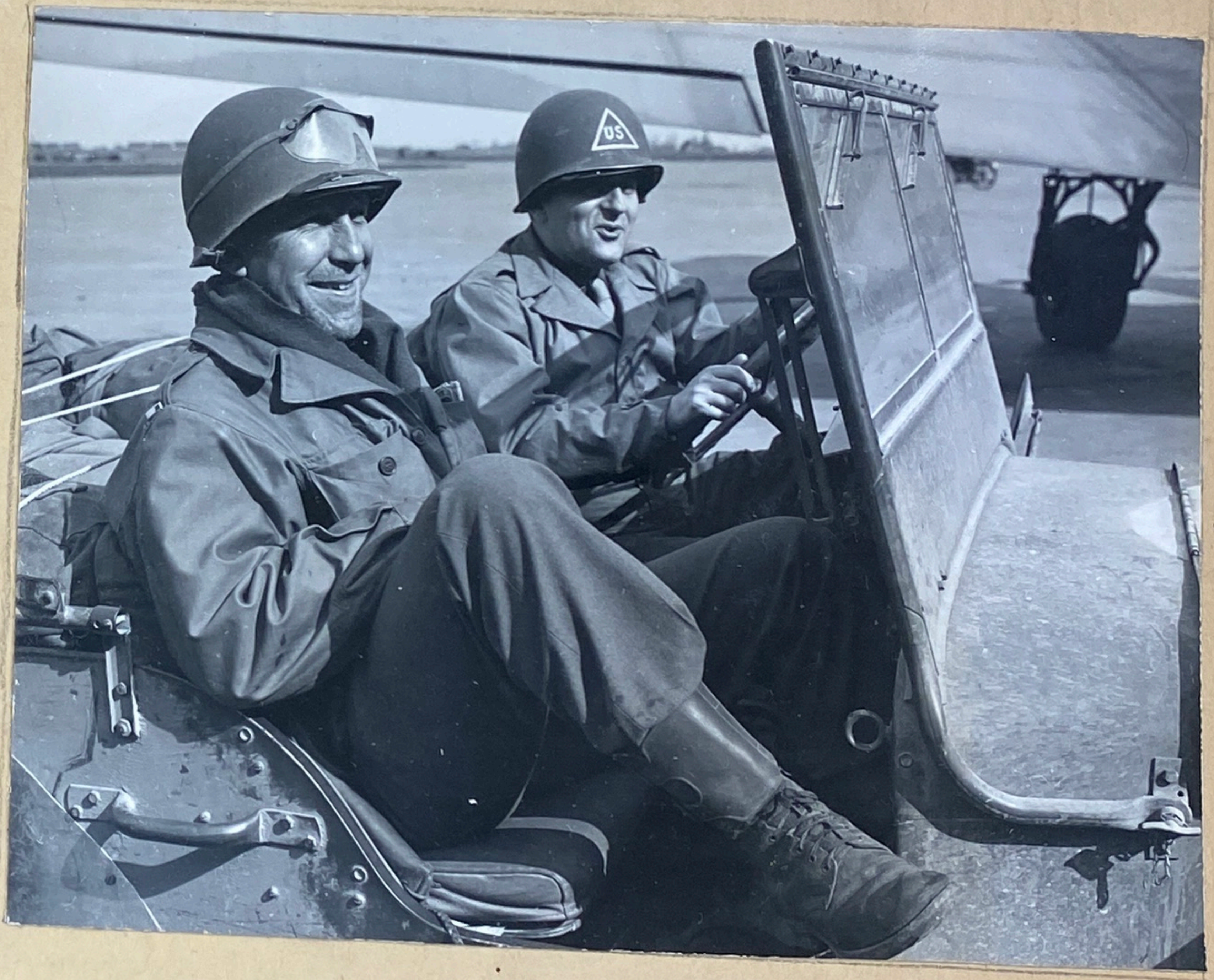
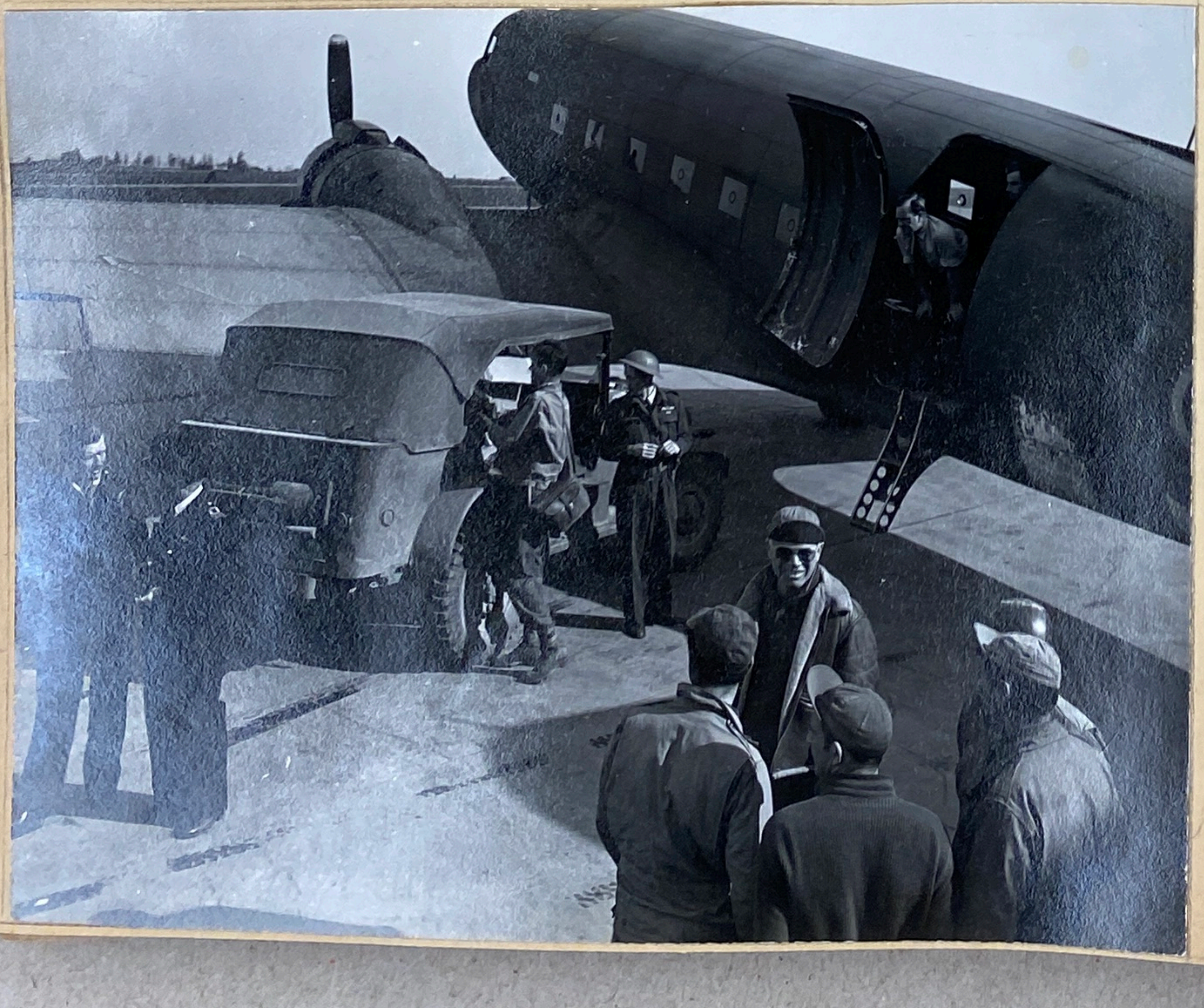
Alsos on the move. Under the command of Lt Gustavos Toepel this is the last group of the Stadtilm party to return to the forward base of operations.



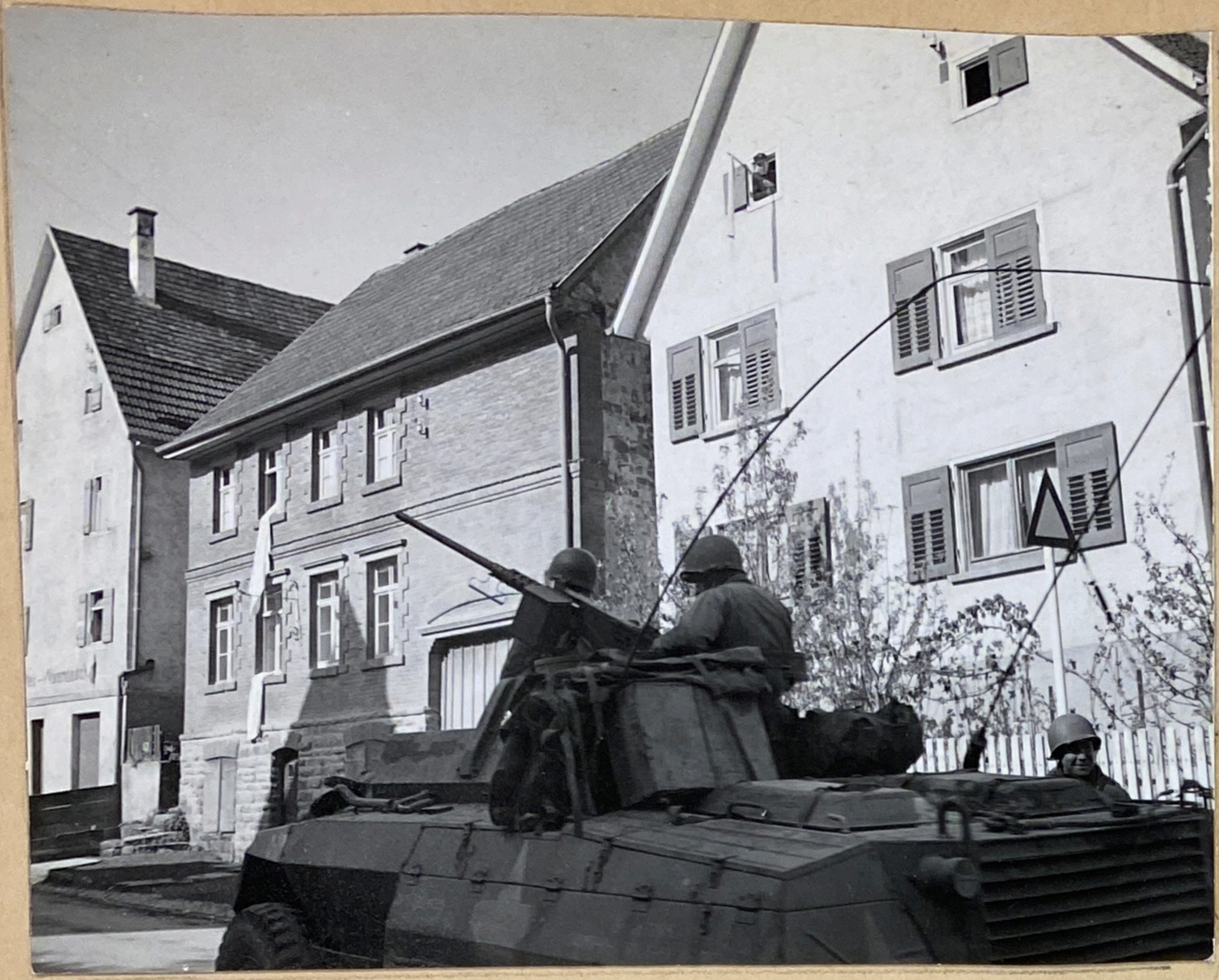
Left:
Technicians at Stadtilm. Shown studying documents at Kaiser Wilhelm Physik are Doctor S. A. Goudsmit, Scientific Chief of the mission, Mr. F.H. Wardenburg, Lt Commander Welsh and Wing Commander Cecil. The latter two are from British Intelligence.

Right:
Lt Toepel and Doctor Goudsmit at Erfurt airstrip where material found at Kaiser Wilhelm Laboratory at Stadtilm was put aboard British C-47 for delivery to Alsos Paris.



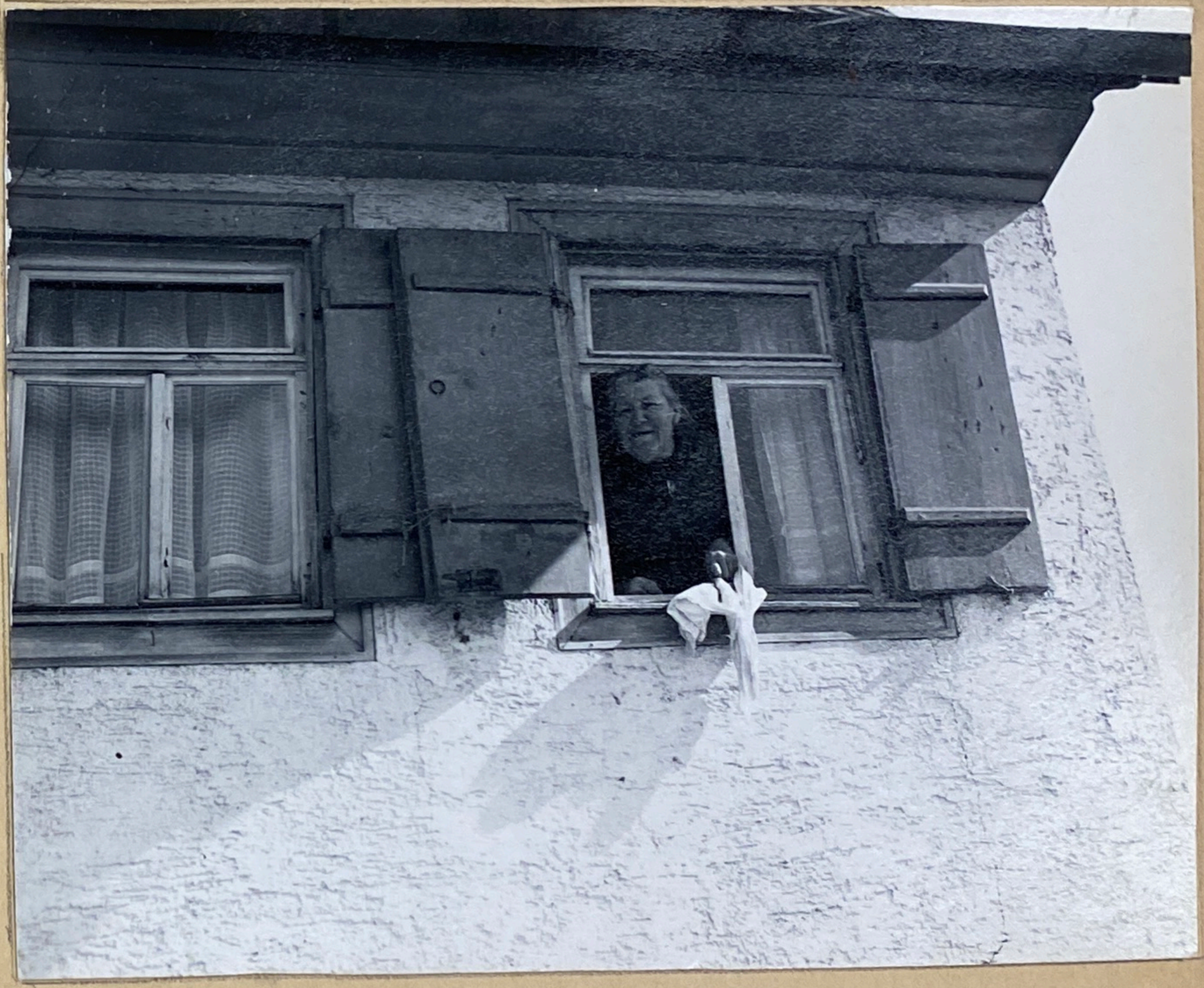


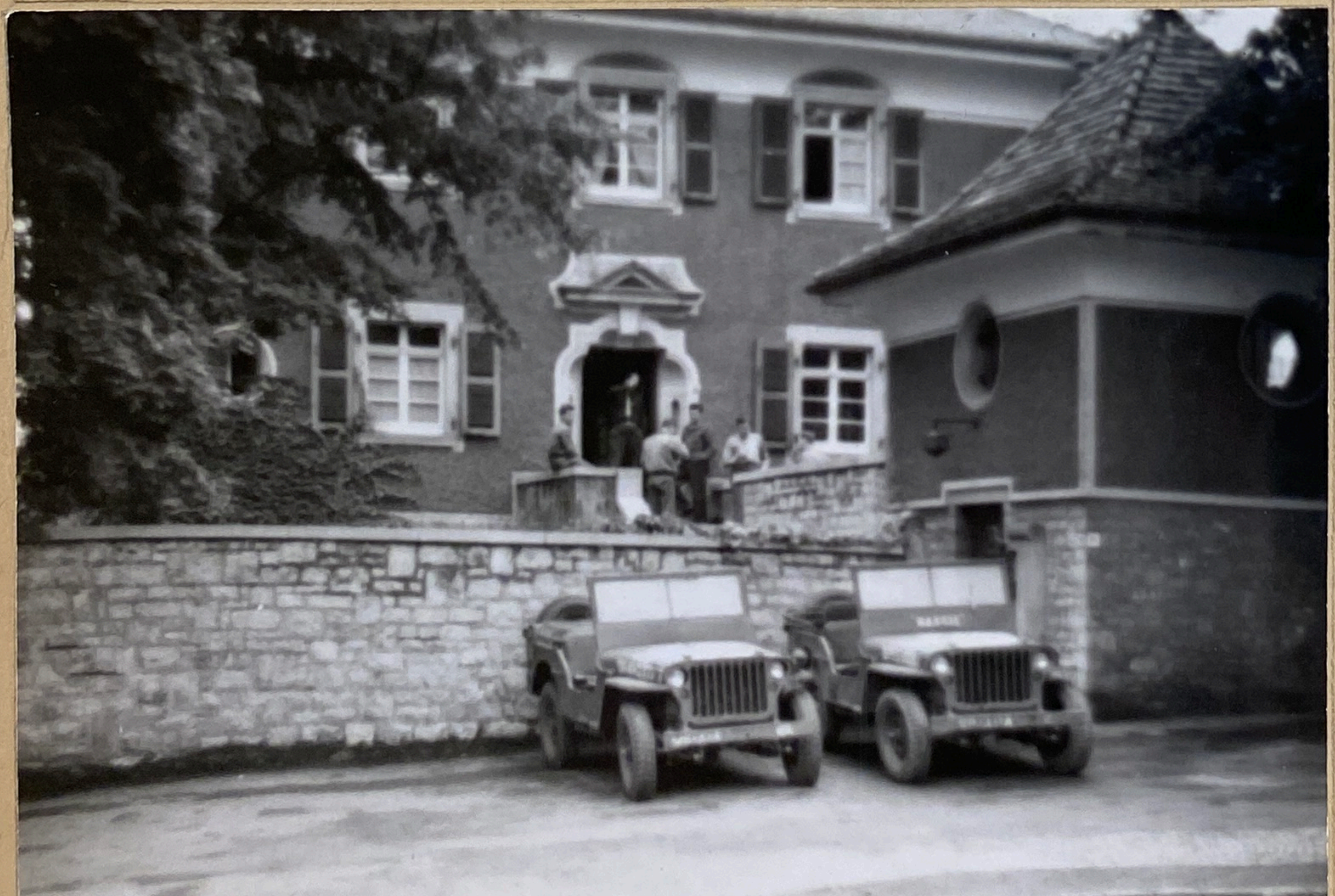
Left:
At Erfurt airstrip on Stadtilm operation. Commander Welsh in left foreground is talking to the British pilot. Mr. F. H. Wardenburg is unloading material from the C & R with Wing Commander Cecil looking on.



Left:
As the column moved into Thanheim the natives came rushing to the windows and doors with white surrender flags. The Obermeister officially surrendered to the Mission at 2:15 P.M. on 24 April 1945.

Right:
An old German woman hurried to the window and grabbed the nearest thing that was white--the window curtain.



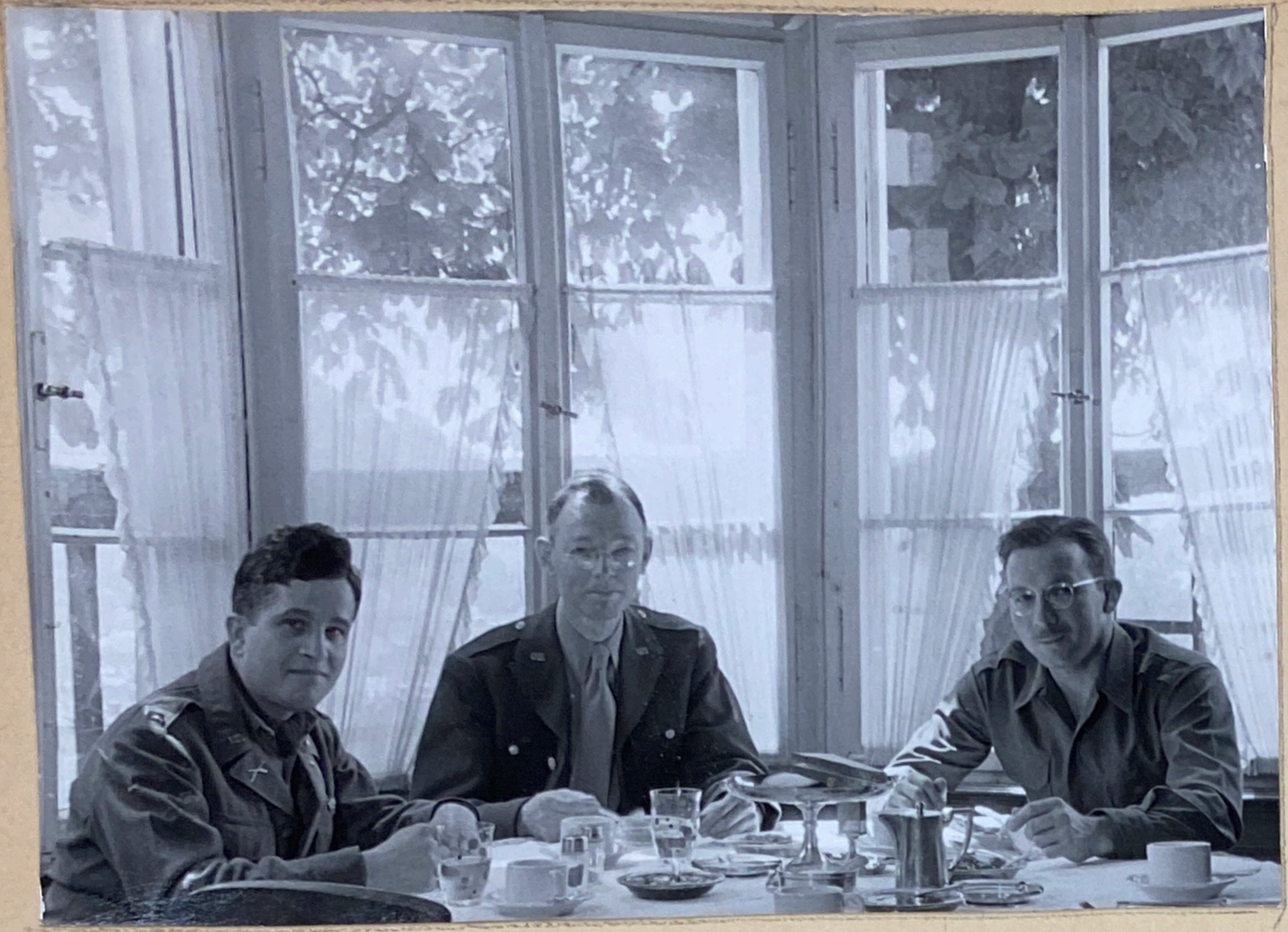


Left:
Alsos Headquarters in Göttingen, Germany, established after the forward base at Aachen was closed.

Left:
Alsos' first award. Lt. Carl Fiebig, CIC, receives the Bronze Star for services beyond the call of duty on the Strassburg operation. With all available members assembled at Heidelberg-Advance Lt Larry Brown read the citation and Colonel Pash made the presentation. "Gabby" of Advance also joined the formation in honor of Carl.

Right:
Lt. Carl Fiebig front and center as the Colonel pins on the ribbon of the Bronze Star.

Left:
After the ceremony Colonel Pash congratulates Fiebig. Lt Fiebig was one of the original members of the mission in the North Africa-Italy operations.



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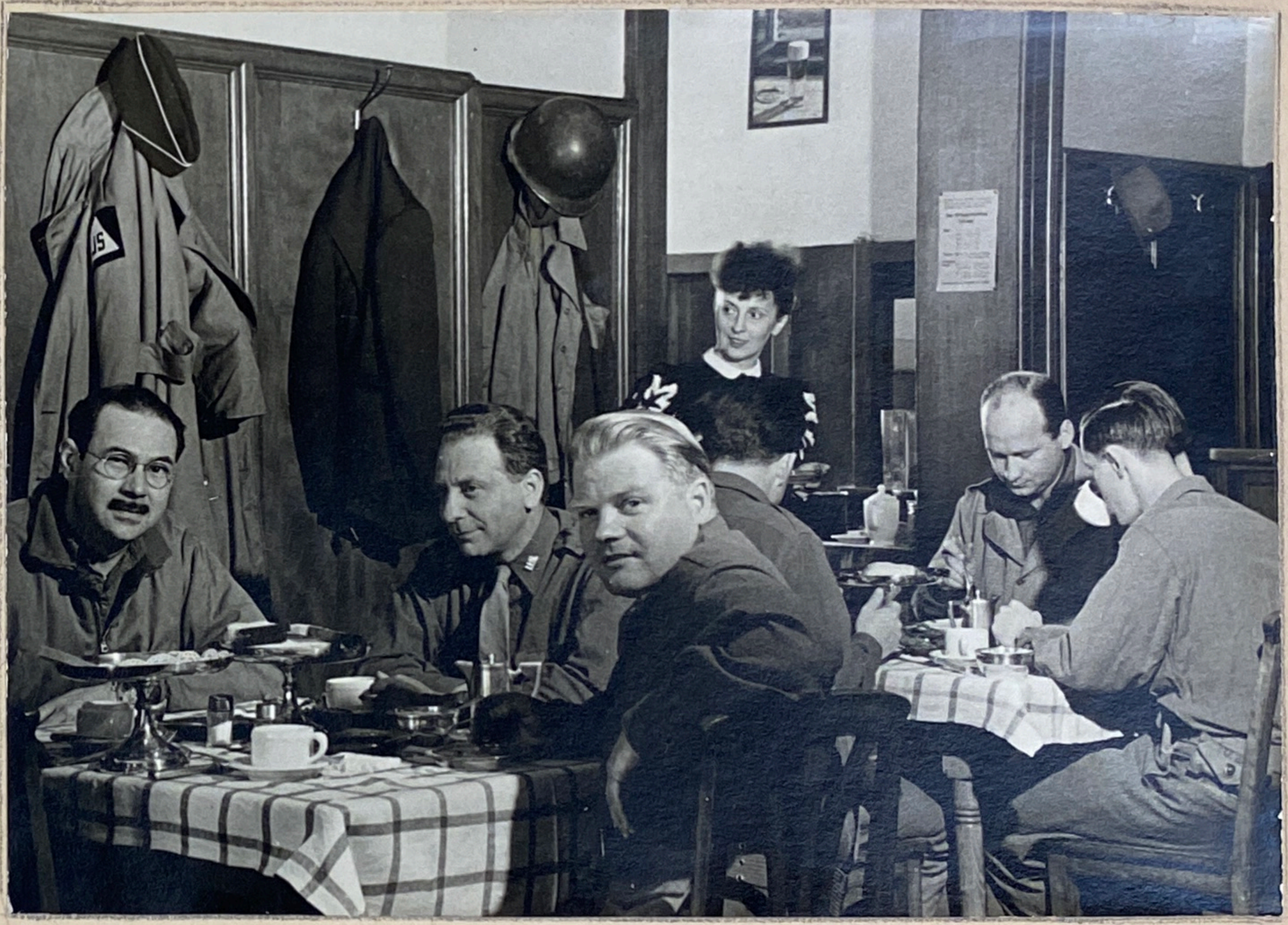
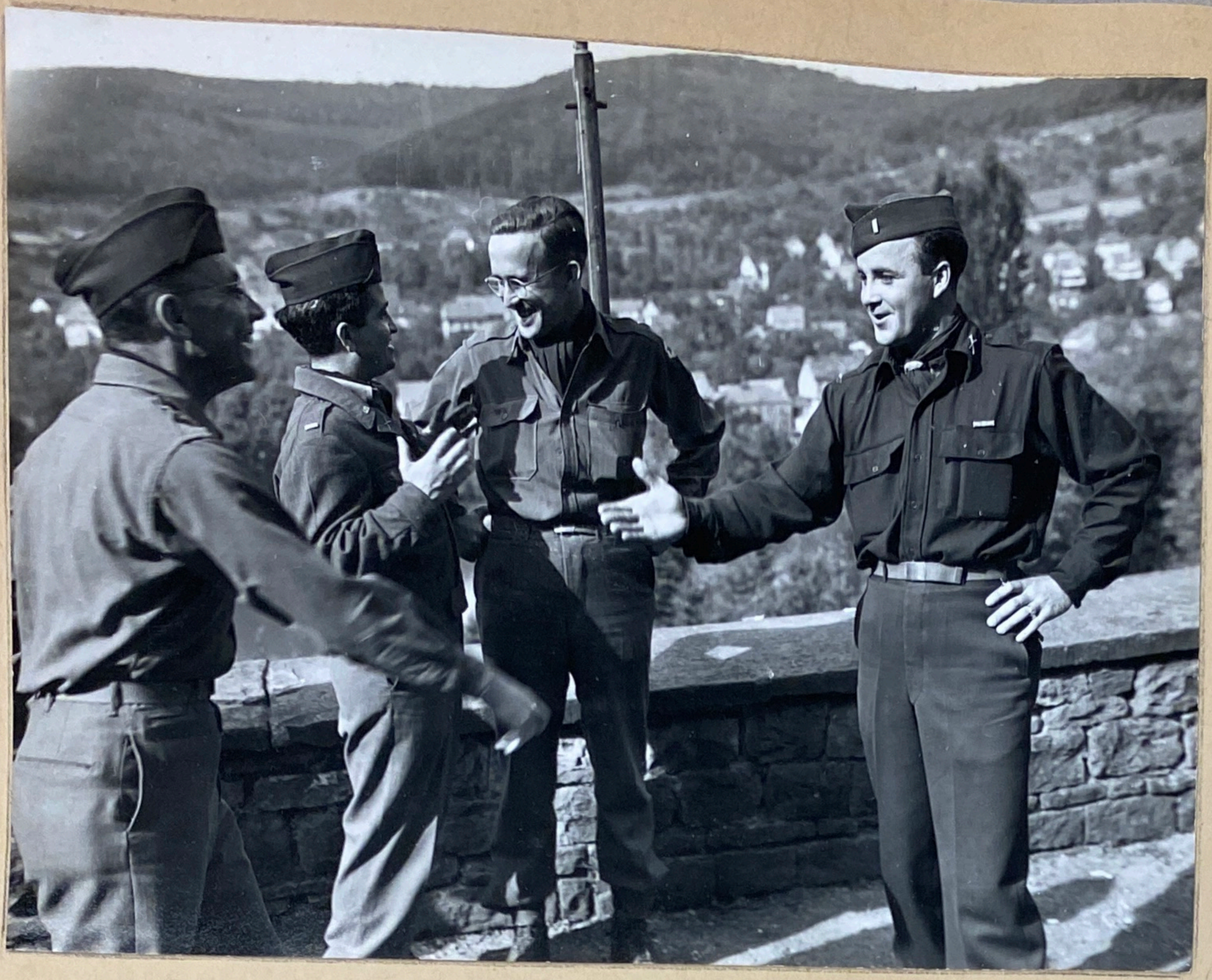
At the big table in the bay window of the officer's dining room at Heidelberg Main: Lt Ralph Cerame, Doctor Kemble and Lt Dave Weimer.



Above:
CIC agents in the officer's mess in the Philosophenhohe.

Left:
Enlisted men's mess hall in the Philosophenhohe restaurant of Heidelberg Main. Clockwise from Irene pouring coffee for Bennet: Miles, Pitts, Glover and Balassa.



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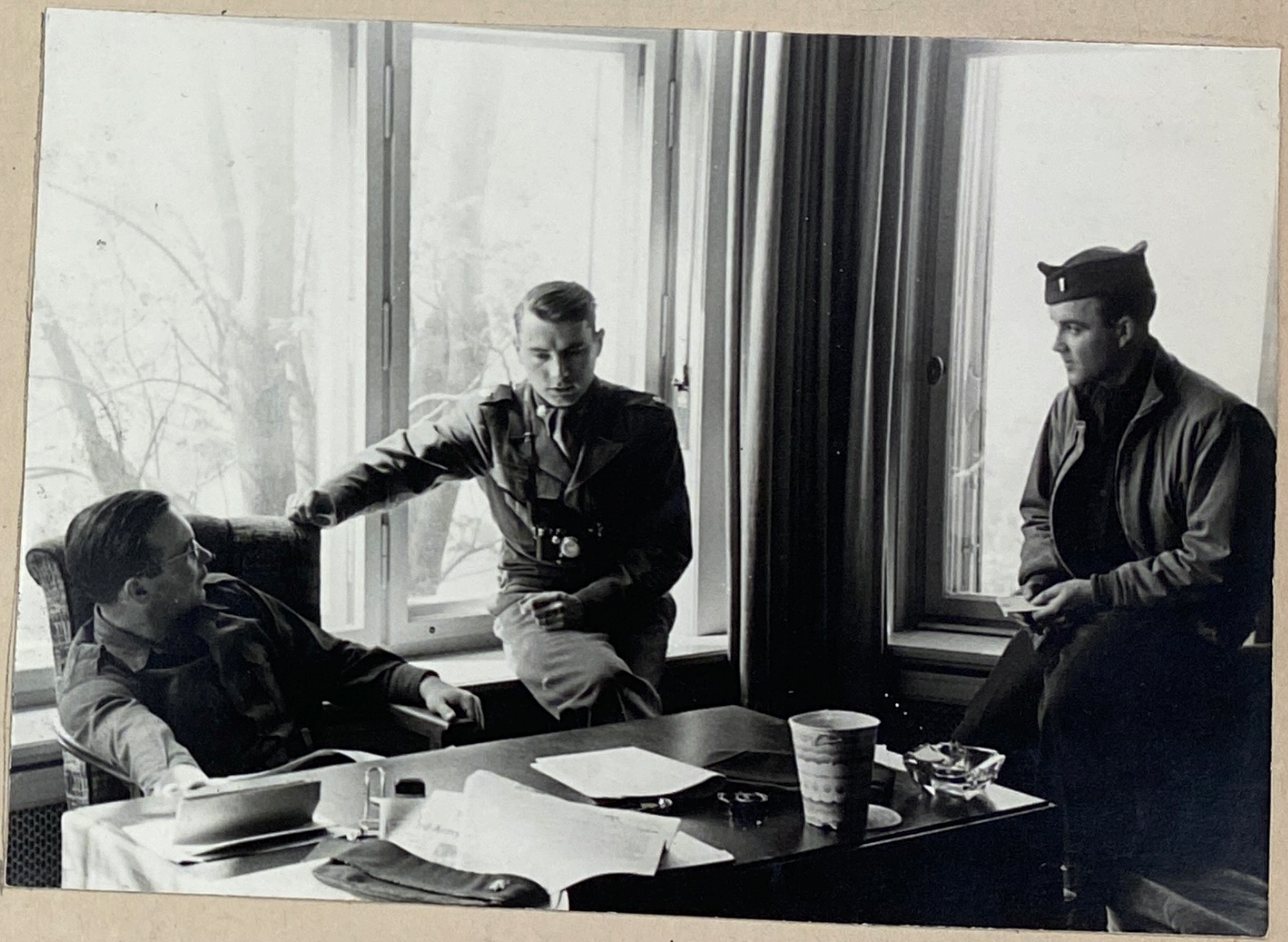
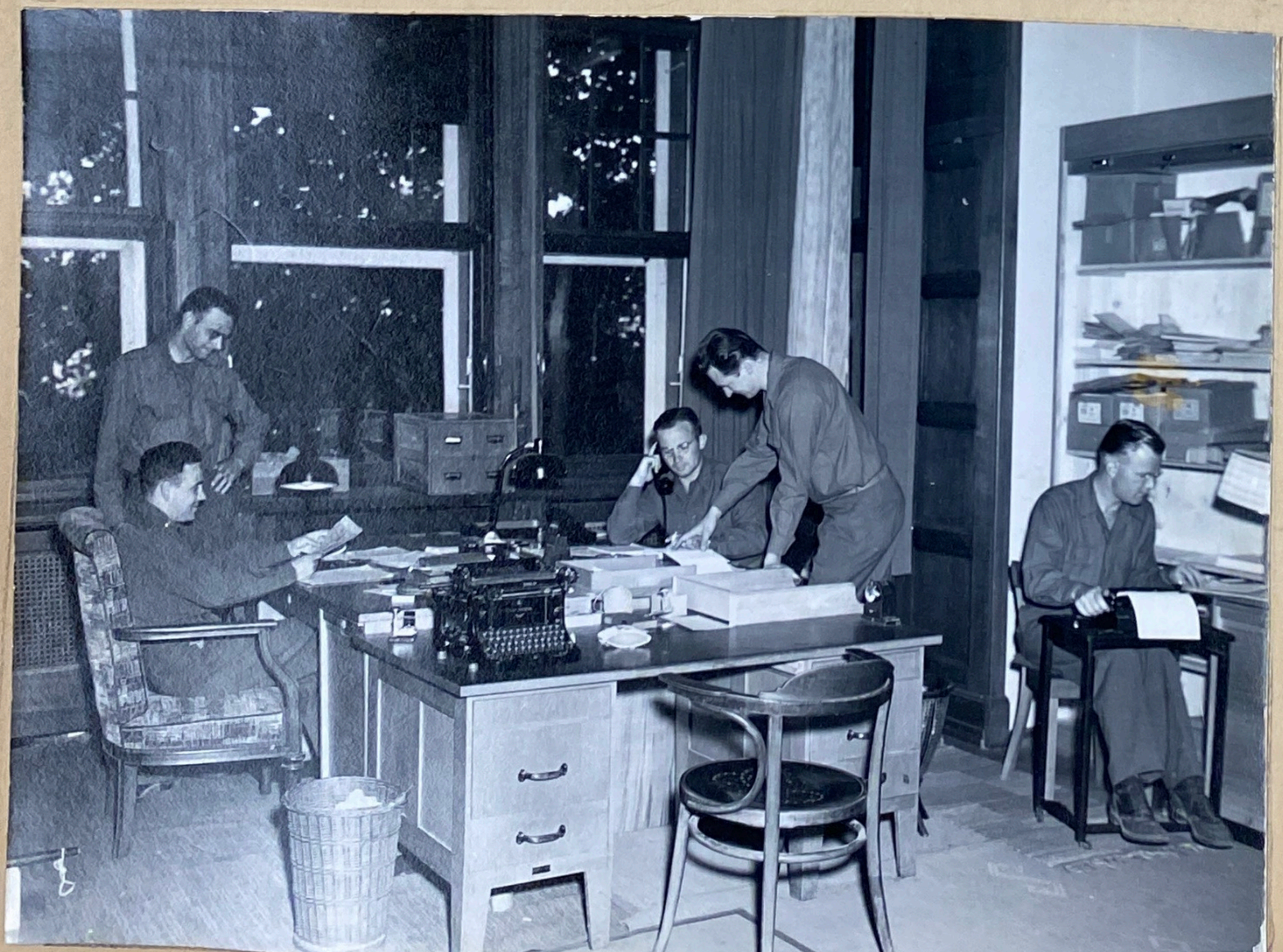
Congratulations. Doctor Carl Bauman, Lt Ralph Cerame, Captain Wm Cromartie and Lt Fiebig, recipient.



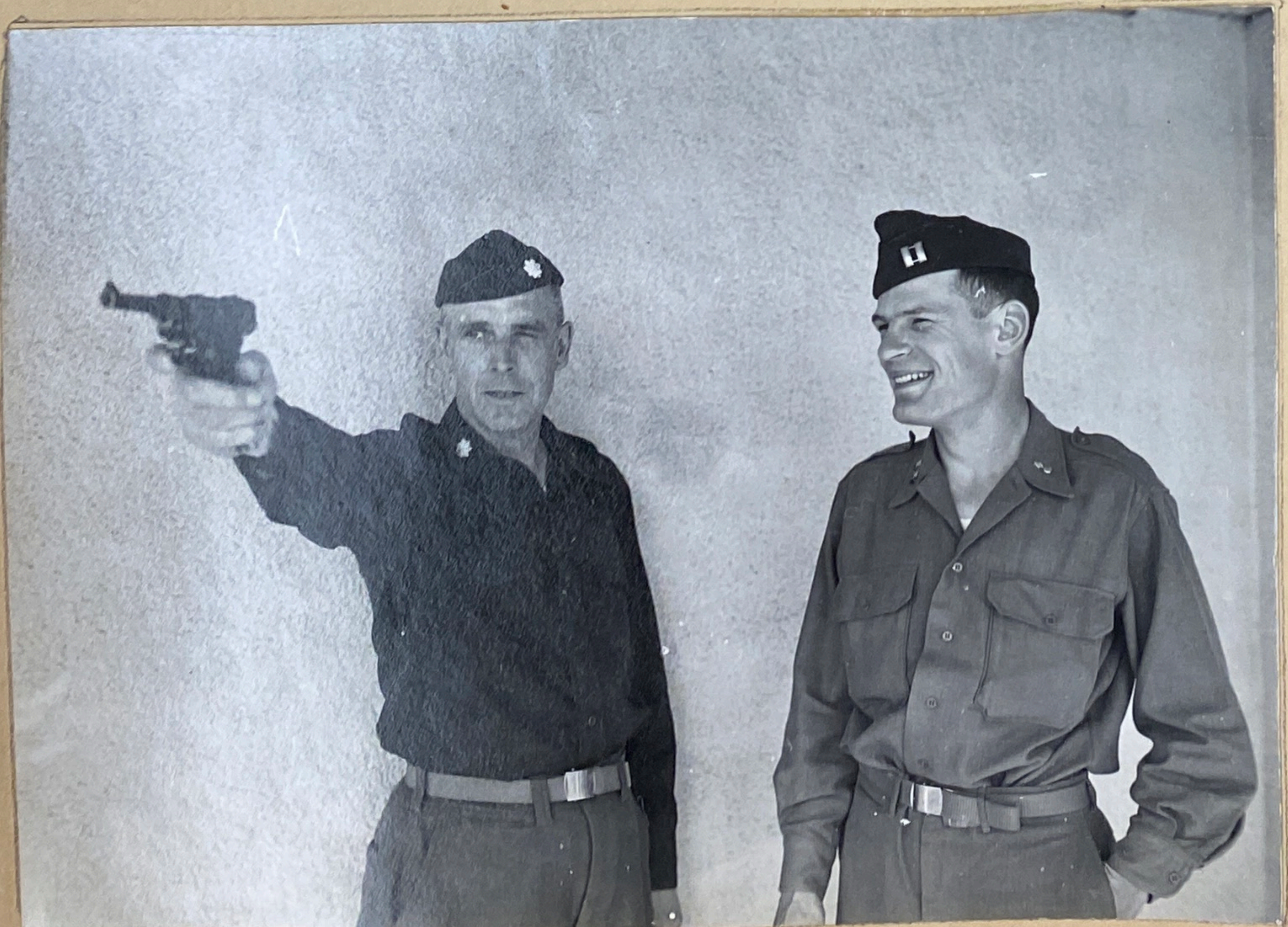
Right:
In Headquarters at Heidelberg Main. Left to right: Lt Dave Weimer, Major Robt Blake with his everpresent Leica and Lt Fiebig.



Left:
In the office of Heidelberg Main: T/4 Fred Tuttle, Lt Jack Edell, Lt David Weimer, T/4 Nicholas Dolida and T/4 James Bartlett, Jr.

Left:
On the porch at Heidelberg Main are Captn Cromartie, Major Barnes of the British Intelligence Service and Doctor Samuel A. Goudsmit, Scientific Chief of the Mission.

Right:
About to leave Heidelberg on one of their frequent two or three day jaunts, this is Lt Dave Weimer and Doctor Carl Baumann.



Left:
Lieutenant Colonel E. V. Foran and Captain Fred W. Matting with super-scrounge-artist Foran's latest acquisition, a brand new Luger.

Left:
Doctors, Russell Robinson and Carlton Kemper of the National Advisory Committee for Aeronautics in their rooms at Heidelberg Main.

Right:
On the sunporch at Heidelberg Main, this quartet of technicians worked together most of the time: Captain Wm Cromartie, Captain Henze, Major Adams of British Intelligence and Lieutenant (JG) J. W. Hofer of the U.S.N.

Left:
Heidelberg Main relaxes with a baseball game up on the mountain behind the Philosophenhohe.

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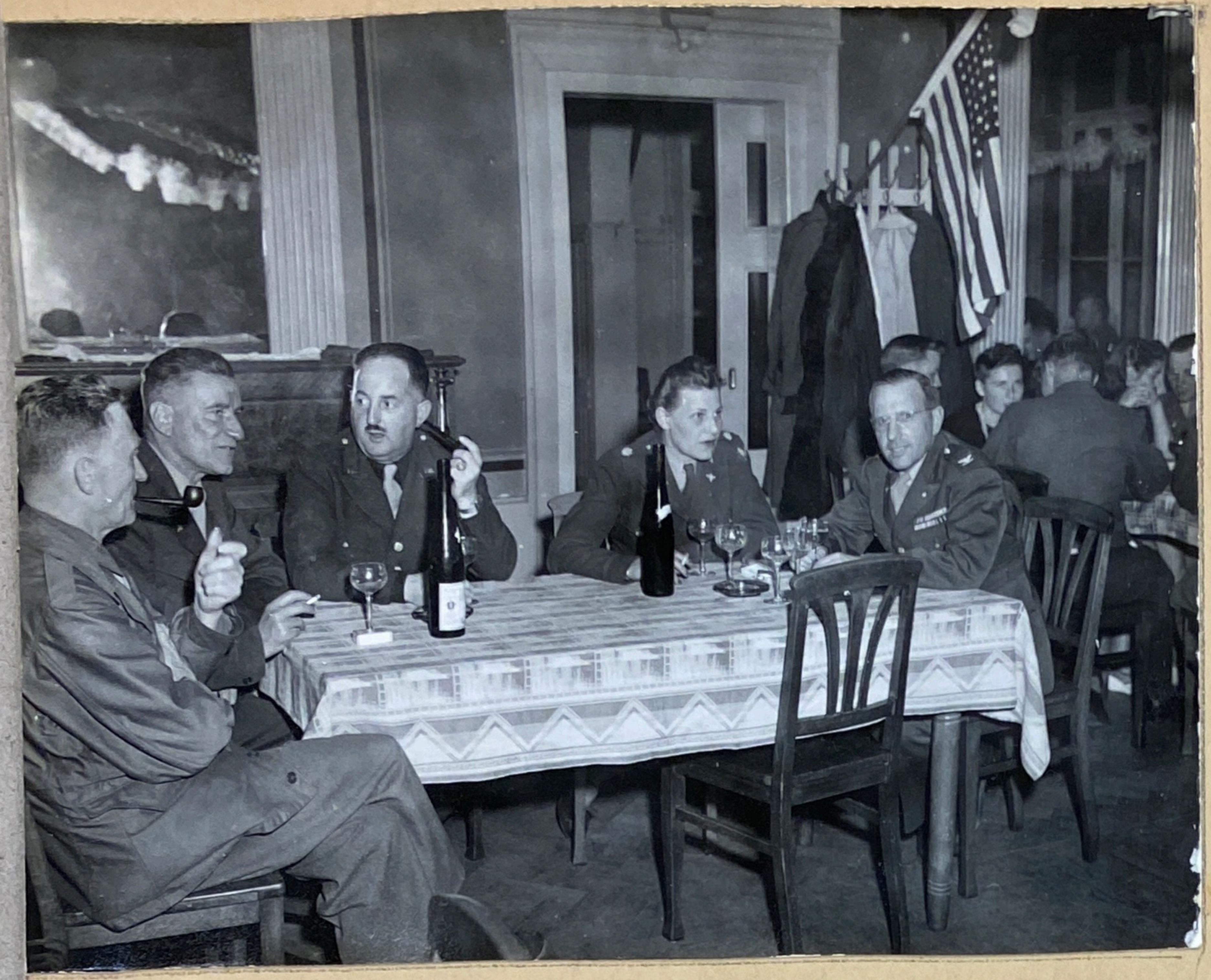
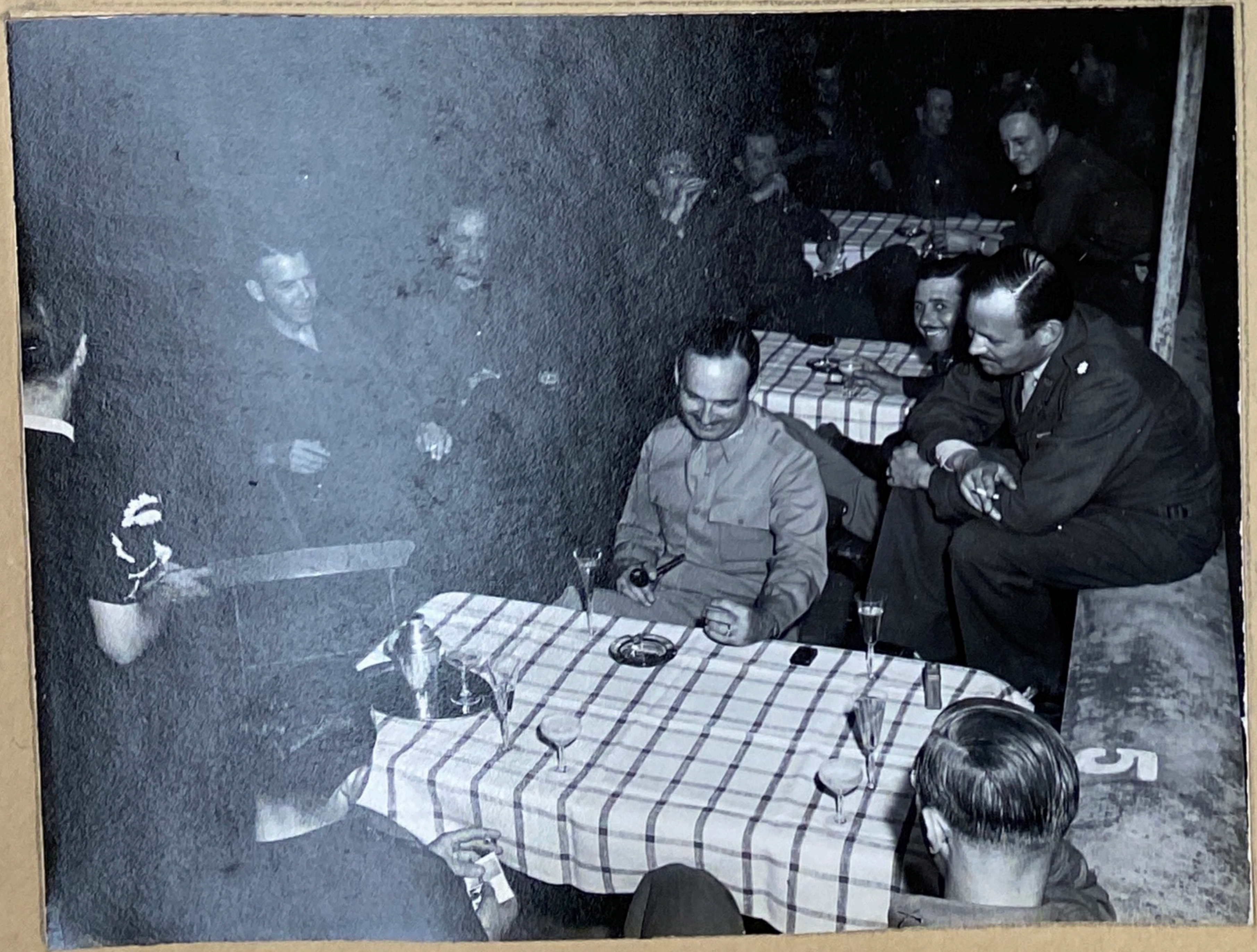
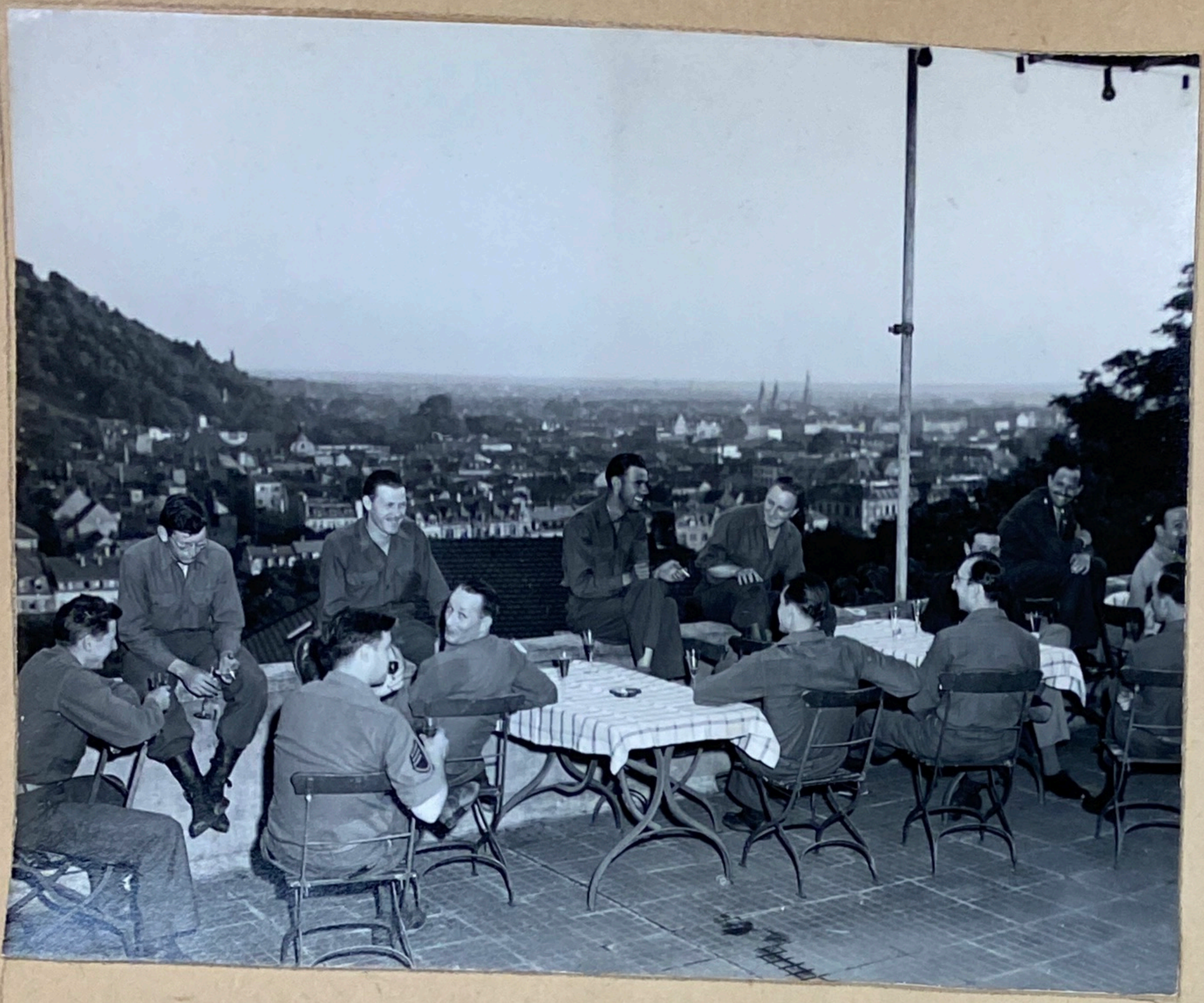


Left:
Alsos Heidelberg has a party in the Philosophenhohe. Special guests at Col Pash's table are: left to right, Doctor Hoyt, Colonel Bogart, Major Onthank and Colonel Pash.

Right:
This picture at the Heidelberg party must have been taken during a period between numbers because there are very few wallflowers in Alsos.



Left:
To celebrate his promotion, Lt. Colonel R.C. Ham threw a cocktail party at Heidelberg Main. With their backs to the camera are Lts. Edell and Waclo. Col. Shaw is at the table and Lt Brown behind Colonel Ham on the ledge. To the left is Captain Augustine and Lt Fiebig with EM; Nuremberg, Dolida and Miles at the next table.



Left:
On the terrace of the Philosophenhohe with Old Heidelberg in the background are: T/5 Nichols, T/5 DeSisto, S/sgt Schwab, T/5 Pitts, Pfc O'Connor, Pfc Bryant, T/5 Miles T/4 Dolida, and Pfc Nuremberg. Lt Brown is directly behind Nuremberg and Colonel Ham is still sitting on the ledge.

Enlisted Men's quarters at Heidelberg Main.

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